REVEAL FASCISTS MURDERED TRESCA

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CASE HISTORY OF A 7-YEAR ANTI-COMMUNIST LIE

By Robert Friedman

A seven-year conspiracy between Norman Thomas "Socialists," Dubinsky Social Democrats and the metropolitan press to smear Communists with the slaying of Carlo Tresca has blown up. Tresca was killed seven years ago yesterday, on Jan. 11, 1943. The conspiracy blew up with the recent statement carried in one of a series of **Brooklyn Eagle** articles on the borough's underworld. The statement read:

"The Brooklyn Eagle has learned Tresca was murdered on order of the Italian Fascists for $500,000 paid to the crime syndicate that rules in New York and other cities of the United States."

Another article in the **Eagle** series was headed: **"Ex-Parole Prober Says Syndicate Ordered Him Fired Because He Knew Tresca Killer."**

The Eagle's revelations have been a long time coming.

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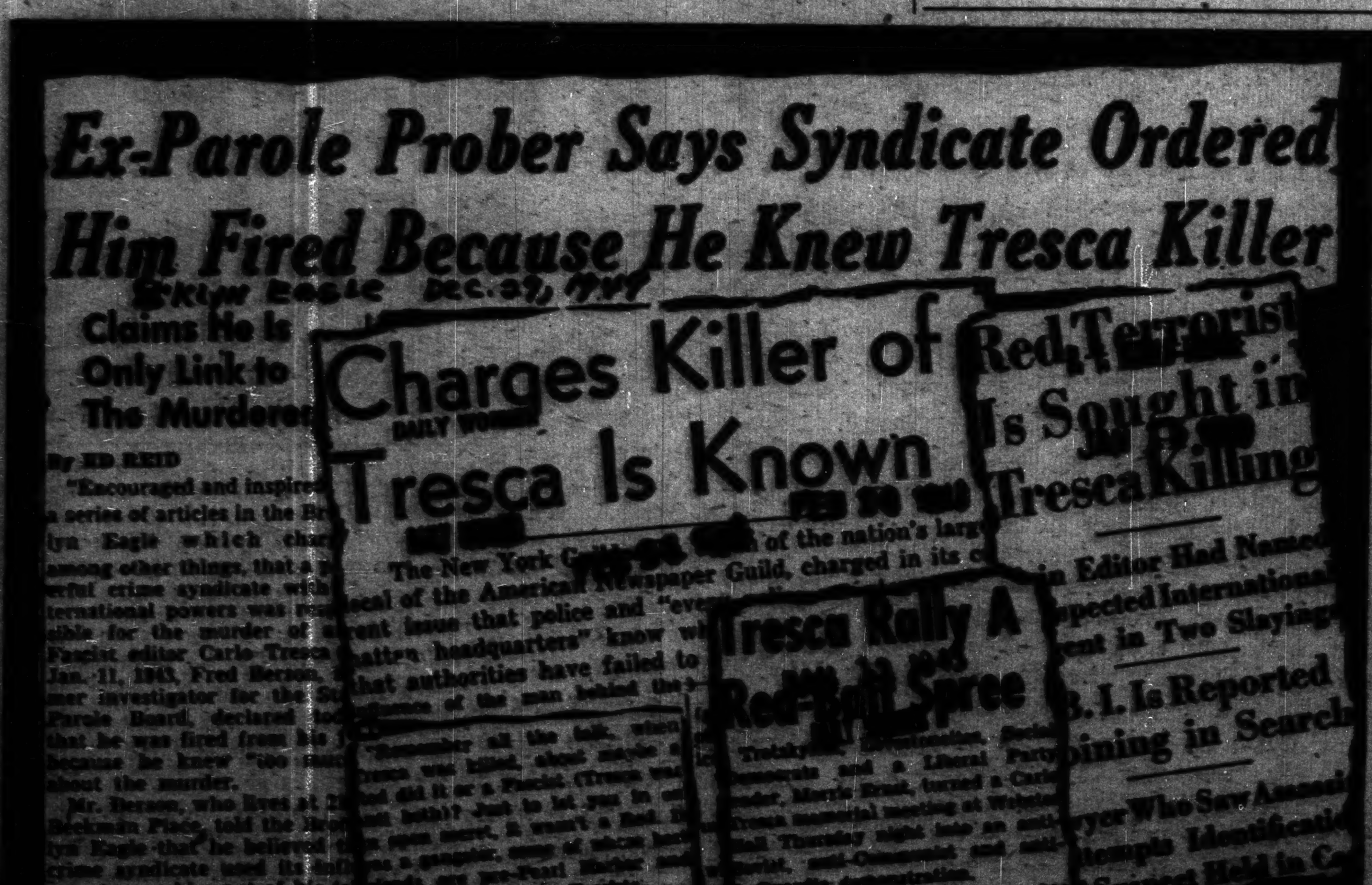
At right, Carlo Tresca.

Clippings below show how New York newspapers and Social-Democrats teamed up to use the Tresca murder as an anti-Communist smear. Stories from Daily Worker of 1943 reveal fascists were tagged as Tresca's killers seven years before the "Brooklyn Eagle" announced it knew how the murder was arranged.


Ex-Parole Prober Says Syndicate Ordered Him Fired Because He Knew Tresca Killer

B'klyn Eagle Dec. 29, 1949

Claims He Is Only Link to The Murderer

By ED REID

Charges Killer of Tresca Is Known

DAILY WORKER

Red Terrorist Is Sought in Tresca Killing

Tresca Rally A Red-Bait Spree

Editor Had Named Suspected International Agent in Two Slayings

F.B.I. Is Reported Joining in Search

Lawyer Who Saw Assassin Attempts Identification of Suspect Held in Case

O'D DUCKS FOR FLORIDA AS RELIEF IS CUT

Mayor O'Dwyer will be out of town on Monday when the relief cuts, depriving each of 322,000 adults and children of $3 to $4 monthly, go into effect. He will be basking in the Florida sun with his wife, the former Sloan Simpson.

He leaves today for a two-week vacation at Key Largo.

Since Nov. 27, His Honor has rested up in a hospital suite because he had a cold; increased his $25,000 salary to $40,000; married and honeymooned in Florida; returned to swear in 58 top job holders and hand out a new batch of lush jobs, and then off to Florida again.

What a job!

Top House Demo Asks T-H Be Used Against Miners

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Rep. Andrew Jacobs (D-Ind), floorleader for the Truman Administration in last summer's Taft-Hartley repeal debate, today demanded the slave labor law be used against coal miners in Indiana.

On Friday, Senate Majority Leader Scott Lucas (D-Ill) informed the White House that unless coal miners returned to a five-day week, he would take the floor in the Senate to protest "against the continuation of these conditions."

Since Congress reconvened Jan. 3, Republicans have noisily clamored for use of the injunction provisions of Taft-Hartley against the coal miners. (See Lewis story, page 2.) The more recent statements by Jacobs and Lucas have tended to transform the drive against the miners' fight for a wage boost and a larger welfare fund into a bipartisan affair.

Jacobs had a five-minute audience with President Truman at the White House today. Emerging from the Oval Room, he denied to newsmen he had discussed his demand for use of Taft-Hartley, insisting his conversation had involved only "personal matter."

He complained coal stocks in his Indianapolis district were down and that the temperature was below

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Lewis Asks Miners End Walkouts

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 11.—John L. Lewis today suggested to 81,200 striking United Mine Workers that they return to work Monday. The mine union president sent all UMW district presidents a one-sentence telegram:

"Will you please transmit to our members who are idle this week my suggestion that they resume production next Monday."

His action, however, did not affect the three-day work week.

The suggestion was made as six Republican senators proposed that Congress tell President Truman officially that the coal "strike" is a national emergency which call for use of the Taft-Hartley act.

The other legal weapon pointed at the mine union was the threat of an injunction by the National Labor Relations Board. NLRB General Counsel Robert Denham said he would decide by Friday whether to seek a court order to outlaw the three-day-work-week in the coal fields.

The striking miners included 34,000 in Pennsylvania; 25,000 in West Virginia; 6,100 in Ohio; 7,000 in Kentucky; 6,000 in Alabama; 1,000 in Utah; 850 in Virginia; 700 in Tennessee and 550 in Wyoming.

The six GOP senators, Robert A. Taft (O), Homer Ferguson (Mich), Alexander Wiley (Wis), Forrest C. Donnell (Mo), William E. Jenner (Ind), and Edward Martin (Pa), introduced a resolution in both houses declaring it the sense of Congress that an emergency exists.

Bedding Local To Decide Stand On Splitters

(See George Morris Column, Page 8).

Members of Bedding Local 140 of the United Furniture Workers will decide on their stand on the splitting efforts of a faction in the union headed by general President Morris Pizer after giving him an opportunity to state his position before a membership meeting at Irving Plaza at 6 p.m. today.

Max Perlow, secretary-treasurer of the union, will speak in behalf of the majority of the General Executive Board.

It became known yesterday that Pizer's forces held a rump conference in Chicago at which some of his associates openly spoke of secession if "the Communists aren't expelled." The caucus, addressed by Pizer, named a secretary and chairman following the same pattern that the CIO's leaders applied in organizing the machinery for disruption of the UE, and appealed for funds for their factional work. The factionalists also plan to publish a bulletin.

Va. Gov. Boasts of Chain Gang 'Progress'

Special to the Daily Worker

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 11.—Gov. William M. Tuck, in his address at the opening of the 1950 state assembly, declared that "approximately three-fourths of the prisoners assigned to the road camps now sleep without chains."

"The people of Virginia may take justifiable pride in the progress that has been made in our penal system," he said, as he boasted that the flogging of prisoners has been discontinued.

Say CIO Aides Stooled to FBI Against UPW

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The United Public Workers today charged some CIO officials had become government stoolpigeons and FBI informants to frame UPW members under the federal loyalty order.

UPW Director of Negotiations Alfred Bernstein told a CIO "trial" committee hearing charges of "disloyalty" to the CIO against the union, that the frameups were conceived against active union members who fought for CIO policies in organizing government workers.

NAMES CIO STOOLIE

Bernstein named officials of the CIO Shipbuilding Workers Union's government workers branch who had made wild, unsubstantiated charges of "disloyalty" against UPW officials and members to the FBI.

They are Morton Liften, national co-chairman of the shipbuilders government branch, Helen Gruenstein, John Alden and Lois Carlyle, Bernstein said. Bernstein related that Liften and Gruenstein had charged one government worker

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FREE PART OF HAINAN ISLE

HOIHOW, Hainan Island, Jan. 11.—Guerillas have freed a 30-mile stretch of the west coast of Hainan Island, it was reported today. At the same time a fleet of more than 1,000 People's Liberation landing vessels was reported en route from Weichao Island, 40 miles west of Luichow peninsula, to an unknown destination.

Guerilla activities were increasing constantly despite the Kuomintang suppression campaign.

Kuomintang planes carried out a four-hour raid on Canton. The chief targets were the Whampoa naval base and two airfields.

Mao in Parley With Soviet Chairman

LONDON, Jan. 11.—The Moscow Radio broadcast today that Soviet Chairman N. M. Shvernik received Mao Tze-tung, Chairman of the Chinese People's Republic, at the Kremlin today.

Mao was accompanied by Chinese Ambassador Cheng Po-ta, Moscow said in its broadcast recorded here, and Shvernik was accompanied by A. F. Gorkin, secretary of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet.

Flying Arrow Expected to Try Again

HONG KONG, Jan. 11.—Capt. David Jones, of the Isbrandtsen freighter Flying Arrow, may try to elude the Kuomintang gunboats that shelled him, and run into Shanghai, reliable reports said today.

Los Angeles AJC Meet Hits Renazification

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 11.—A citywide conference sponsored by the American Jewish Congress here demanded a full review of State Department policy in Western Germany and "a reversal of present trends" by President Truman, the State Department and Congress.

The 250 delegates and observers, representing 50 organizations, adopted a six-point program of action against renazification of Germany.

Italian Cabinet to Be Reshuffled

ROME, Jan. 11.—The Italian cabinet resigned tonight. Premier Alcide de Gasperi will present the formal resignations to President Luigi Einaudi tomorrow. This is only a formal action to make it possible for de Gasperi to reshuffle his cabinet.

Albany Gets Bill to Repeal Condon-Wadlin

ALBANY, Jan. 11.—Sen. Arthur Wachtel (Bronx Democrat) today introduced legislation calling for repeal of the Condon-Wadlin law.

The Condon-Wadlin law, an anti-strike ban on civil service employes, "actually has produced a chaotic and disgraceful situation," Wachtel said. "It does in effect destroy the morale of thousands of civil service employes and leaves them without any redress for grievances."

Organized labor, both the AFL and the CIO, have continuously called for the repeal of the Condon-Wadlin law.

Sen. Taylor to Appeal Bias Conviction

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Sen. Glen Taylor (D-Ida), said today he will appeal to the Supreme Court if necessary his 1948 Alabama court conviction for fighting segregation.

An Alabama Appeals Court yesterday upheld a $50 fine and a 180-day suspended sentence imposed on Taylor after he tried to enter a door segregated for Negroes at a meeting held in a Birmingham church.

Taylor contended a Birmingham law forcing separate entrances for Negroes and whites is unconstitutional.

He said his next step will be an appeal to the Alabama Supreme Court. If his conviction is upheld there, he said, the case will be taken to the high court.

Money Talks in Fascist Accents to GOP Meeting

By Joseph North

Merwin K. Hart, president of the National Economic Council, Inc., that outfit of industrialists who wear dark homburgs instead of Klansman's hoods, appeared before the Republican Committee of One Hundred the other day to give his view of things to come.

Hart is no man for a harangue on a Yorkville street corner: he works the other side of the tracks. Intimate of industrialists like du Pont, "statesmen" like former vice-president Charles G. Dawes, many millionaries are listed on the NEC'S board of directors.

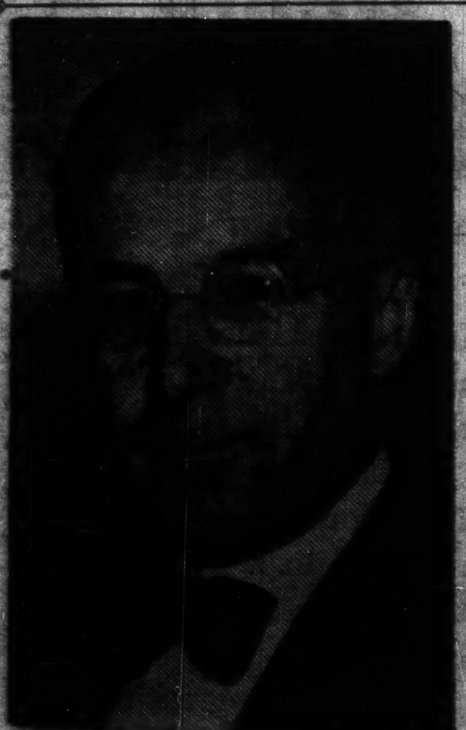
The other aftrenoon at the swank Hotel Beekman on Park Avenue he told about 100 dowagers that the Republicans must stump for:

An alliance with Franco Spain and Western Germany; elimination of the UN; the capture of Formosa. He foresaw the possibility, in reply to a lady's question, that Eisenhower might be the man for president. "But it's too early to talk candidates. Let's talk program," he said.

The program he outlined is as close as you can get to fascism without saying the dirty word. And the elderly G.O.P. ladies whose association doesn't confine itself to drawing-room soirees applauded, laughed, and expressed less than genteel delight at the "plain spoken gentleman."

It seems to me the custom in liberal circles of laughing Hart off is too easy, too dangerous. This man doesn't speak for himself. He referred, with swaggering confidence, to the "people in Washington" who increasingly "agree" with him.

The man gets around. He told of his recent trip to Germany where he hobnobbed with his good friend Dr. Heinrich Tramm, top-flight official of Ruhrchemia, at Oberhausen, and other ex-Nazi bigwigs. His discretion forebade any indication of whether he had seen another old intimate of his, Fritz Kuhn, for whom he ran a luncheon in 1938.



HART

Other of Hart's observations were these: Britain would remain neutral in "the coming war with Russia"; France, "honeycombed with left-wingism" could offer little but token resistance; Franco Spain and Western Germany are better allies than the Western Union powers. (Applause)

ANTI-SEMITISM

Hart's voice dropped a register when he spoke reverently of Mme. Chiang Kai-shek's farewell speech. And he drew his peak of applause when he said some Republican authorities are too prone to hearken to a "strongly vocal minority." Considering that Hart is a godfather of the Christian Front, there was no confusion over his meaning. And when he spoke of the crime of recognizing new China, he significantly added, "And Israel has already recognized her."

Hart's appearance before the women whose pedigree you can gauge by their names (a leader among them is Mrs. Stuyvesant Le Roy French) reflects the kinship the Park Avenue dowagers have with the burgherly storm-troopers of Yorkville, the Klan, the Christian Front.

Though they balanced teacups delicately, and daintily nibbled their caterers' sandwiches, they displayed voracious political appetites. No, I wouldn't say laugh them off. Kipling said Judy O'Grady and the Colonel's lady were sisters under the skin. From what I heard, these Republican matrons have much in common with a corporal's lady named Ilse Koch.

Dennis Calls for Sub Day

Eugene P. Dennis, general secretary of the Communist Party and chairman of the national press committee, yesterday issued an appeal to all Communists to participate in a nationwide mobilization for Worker subscriptions this weekend.

Capture Killers of 3 Negro Children

KOSCIUSKO, Miss., Jan. 11.—Two of the three white men who slaughtered three Negro children were captured today. The third had been captured the day before. Leon Turner, 38, alleged triggerman of the massacre, and Wendell Whitt surrendered to a posse. Whitt's brother, Malcolm, had been arrested yesterday and spirited to a "strong" secret jail. Police officers said they found him drunk in Louise, Miss.

The three men perpetrated the murders after escaping from Attala County Jail, where they had been locked up since Dec. 30 on the complaint by Thomas Harris, a Negro tenant farmer, that they had tried to rape his daughter Verlena. After they escaped from the Attala County Jail, they made straight for Harris' house where they killed the three children, Frankie C. Thurman, 10; May Burnside, 8, and Ruby Nell Harris, 4. Harris and Verlena were wounded. Harris' wife dashed to safety with an infant.

A prison trusty, C. B. Granmer, helped to track down Turner and Wendell Whitt with the aid of bloodhounds, who trailed the two to a one-room shack in the Mississippi hill country. A seven-year-old Negro boy gave the police the first report of their whereabouts.

The brutal murders have so aroused public opinion that in Jackson the Mississippi Senate passed a resolution calling for prompt trial of the murderers.

Open Drive for China Recognition

United States recognition of the People's Republic of China is a key demand of an all-out national campaign launched by the Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy, as announced in the current issue of its publication, Far East Spotlight.

The committee says it expects thousands of Americans to express their support of the campaign for friendship, trade and recognition of China by signing scrolls now being released.

A "friendship tab" will be worn by thousands who contribute as they sign the scroll. It shows the flags of the United States and the New China together surrounded by the words FRIENDSHIP–RECOGNITION–TRADE. The Chinese ideographs for FRIENDSHIP are presented under the flags.

Above are some of the hundreds of workers, organized by the American Labor Party, protesting the scheduled relief cuts in front of Welfare Department offices at 902 Broadway, Tuesday. Welfare Commissioner Raymond Hilliard refused to meet with an ALP delegation, a refusal he repeated yesterday. Continued protests against the cuts are being conducted throughout the city.

—Daily Worker Photos by Peter

CIO Splitters Duck Parley On GE Election

The United Electrical Workers yesterday blasted the CIO dual International United Electrical Union for failure to appear Monday at a conference arranged by the National Labor Relations Board to schedule a speedy election among General Electric Workers. The failure of the IUE to show up was cited by James McLeish, president of UE District 4, covering the metropolitan area, as "proof positive that the CIO's rump union in the electrical industry has no support among GE workers."

Present at the conference Monday were representatives of the UE. General electric and the NLRB. No IUE representative appeared, although the outfit was invited after it had earlier been forced by the UE's insistence to agree on a consent election.

"The IUE's non-attendance at the Board meeting," McLeish declared, "exposes its fears of an election. It also exposes the falsity of the GE Company's claim that it is "in doubt' as to what union represents GE employes."

The company had earlier announced cancelation of its contract with the UE, effective April 1, on the grounds that the dual union claimed representation of the workers. The cancelation was announced in the midst of UE negotiations for a wage increase.

"The UE has been eager to arrange early elections in the three big electrical companies to prevent the employers from using the IUE as an excuse to attack and undermine the workers' conditions," McLeish said. It is quite apparent that IUE's deals with the companies have so completely revolted the workers that they will give Carey's outfit a complete drubbing in NLRB elections."

Unions Back Civil Rights Rally in D. C.

By John Hudson Jones

Reports from all over the country show that preparations are gathering momentum for large delegations of unionists to the powerful and historic National Civil Rights Mobilization in Washington, Jan. 15-17.

The three-day meeting, which will present demands for civil rights measures to President Truman and Congress, is sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

In the South, the Negro people are busily engaged in increasing the registration of Negroes for voting.

In several Southern cities where poll taxes must be paid, the percentage of Negroes who voted in recent elections was far bigger than those voting in New York and Chicago which has the free ballot.

The preparations for the mobilization have also increased the pressure on local governments such as in Los Angeles where the NAACP branch has demanded that the City Council memorialize Congress and the Administration for the passage of civil right legislation.

The most important product of the mobilization has been the unprecedented development of unity among Negroes themselves as well as an awakening of both AFL and CIO unions to the critical need for action on civil rights.

Connecticut cities such as Danbury, Waterbury, Bridgeport, New Haven and New Britain, NAACP conferences as well as AFL and CIO unions have elected delegates.

In Detroit four locals of the CIO Automobile and the UAW International have elected delegates, as well as the Detroit chapter of the National Lawyers Guild. Delegates have been elected by 10,000 member steel local at Carnegie-Illinois Sheet and Tin mill in Gary, and the 6,000 strong Youngstown Shet and Tube plant in East Chicago. Other delegations will come from Local 1014 largest local with 17,000 members at the Carnegie-Illinois Gary Steel Works; and the East Chicago Inland local. The General American Transporation local is also sending a delegation.

MINNEAPOLIS SUPPORT

In Minneapolis, the United Labor Committee for Hluman Relations, the AFL Central Labor Committee, B'nai B'rith, the Progressive Party and other groups have thrown full support behind the mobilization and its objectives.

Reports from Los Angeles and Minneapolis reveal that sharp criticism has been directed against the NAACP National Office for its "loyalty" screening of organizations seeking unity participation. The reaction based on this ban has inspired demands for unity from many influential sources.

In Brooklyn, Rev. Sandy F. Ray, of the Corner Stone Baptist Church, delivered a ringing call for unity among Negroes last Sunday at the Mount Lebanon Baptist Church during a mass rally backing the mobilization. The rally was sponsored by the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance.

URGES UNITY

"No Negro, whatever his position," Rev. Ray declared, "has grounds for satisfaction until this colony of slavery is broken and all men are free in body and soul. Our hope is in moving the masses to break the colony and march unitedly to the center of American life. We must unite for the freedom of all people."

Reuther Declines To Investigate 'Loans' to Gosser

By William Allan

DETROIT, Mich. Jan. 11.—John A. Bolman, the member of United Auto Workers Local 12 who has sued to recover money for the local from Richard T. Gosser, a UAW vice-president, has revealed that he has sent all the evidence in the case to Walter Reuther, UAW vice-president. Yet Reuther has not made a single move to investigate, has refused to comment and in fact his office declared last week that it had no knowledge of the entire affair.

Bolman's suit charged, as noted, that Gosser used his UAW office to get local to lend $20,000 to the Willo-Land Sportmen's Club, of which Gosser is president, and to buy real estate on which the club made a profit of $21,000.

Bolman, a Spicer Mfg. worker, was fired four hours after he filed his suit in Common Pleas Court. No real effort has been made by union officials to get Bolman back his job.

Last October Bolman was hospitalized following a beating by Gosser's bodyguards.

Gosser is a darling of the employers, working with them to establish a Labor-Management-Citizens Committee whose obvious purpose was to prevent any militant action by the shop workers.

From this has come Gosser's slogan of "more production if you want more wages in Toledo." He was also the character who introduced the idea of music in the plants to stimulate the workers to greater productivity.

Anyone who sought to struggle in Toledo against the boss collaboration policies of Gosser was met with torrents of redbaiting and beatings from his nationally known "goon" squads.

These "goons" can be seen at all times around union headquarters wearing blue shirts. Gosser leads them in city parades and wears four stars on each of the shoulders of his blue shirt.

Some months ago Gosser's wife, Ruth, in a petition for divorce charged that Gosser besides his salary of $800 a month, drew $10,000 a year profits from his ownership of the Colonial Hard-

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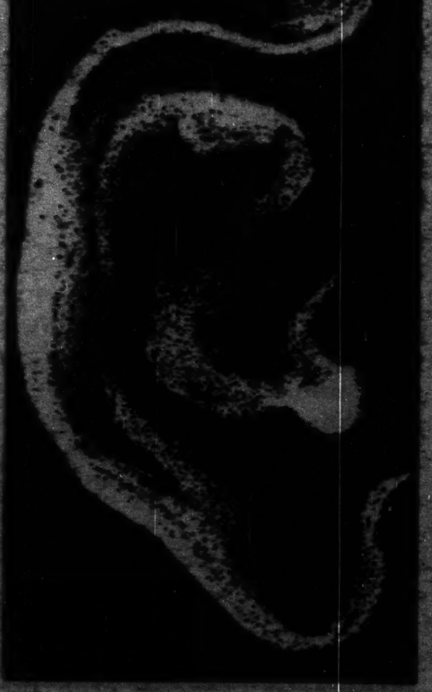
Producing Faster B-47 Jet Bomber

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 (UP).—The Air Force now is producing a new version of the B-47 jet bomber which flies faster than 600 miles an hour and has a range of more than 4,000 miles, it was disclosed today.

The Invisible Ear



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Continue Senate '5 Percent' Probe

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 (UP).—The Senate Rules Committee today approved another year of life for the Senate investigating subcommittee which dug into activities of "five percenters" last year.

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

'Leonard Lyons' column in the New York Post carried this item the other day: "Herman Levin, the producer of 'Gentlemen Prefer Blondes,' received word from the show's pressagent that the drama critic of the Daily Worker had denounced the show. 'It's a good thing we don't have any 20 cents seats,' said the producer. 'Otherwise, such a review could kill us'."

Now, isn't that hilarious—to think that there are people who can't afford to pay more than 20 cents to see a show?

I haven't seen 'Gentlemen Prefer Blondes' although I read it years ago, but from this sample of the producer's humor, I am sure our drama critic was right.

As for the Post running such a crack, well it's something to think about. Fact is, although any capitalist newspaper is glad to gather in the pennies from anyone, it concerns itself with the interests and habits of the middle and higher brackets. The more readers with more dollars to buy more things at higher prices—that means the more chance of getting more ads from more manufacturers and more stories. Which means more profits for the paper.

With the Daily Worker it's the other way round, although we need all the ads we can get. The Daily Worker is concerned with the millions of people who have little to spend because their pockets have already been picked. The Daily Worker's concern is to show them what to do about it.

Today's POINT of ORDER

Mayor O'Dwyer wants gambling legalized in New York. If Congress passes the 20 billion dollar appropriation for more cold war, that will be legalizing the biggest and crookedest gamble in history.

40,000 at Rites for Victims of Italy Cops

MODENA, Italy, Jan. 11. — Forty thousand workers today marched in the funeral for the six workers slain last Monday by the Government's police. Each casket was carried to the cemetery by four men in blue overalls and two uniformed streetcar operators behind a brass band.

The coffins were followed by Palmiro Togliatti, Communist Party secretary; Giuseppe di Vittorio, head of the Confederation of Labor; Pietro Nenni, Socialist Party head, and 182 Communist and Socialist senators and deputies.

After the bodies were interred Togliatti and Di Vittorio spoke to the massed thousands from a platform banked with 1,500 red flags and 500 funeral wreaths.

"We pledge ourselves to push forward a vast campaign . . . a great movement . . . to drive back the forces of reaction," Togliatti said. "We bind ourselves to conduct a new struggle. . . ."

Di Vittorio denounced the "reactionary, fatuous policy . . . the hate and party interest" of the government.

"It is always we who cry because the dead are always from our side," Di Vittorio said. "We hope this warning from a great mass of the people will be heard once and for all."

Industrial and agricultural workers in Modena are continuing their general strike, called late Monday to protest the deaths of the workers.

In Rome, an estimated 50,000 workers rallied to protest the slaying.

Thousands who quit their jobs at 3 p.m. at the start of a four-hour general strike marched through downtown streets to the Piazza del Popolo in the biggest mass demonstration since the one following the attempted assassination of Togliatti in July, 1948.

Around the square correspondents counted 56 police jeeps and trucks. Some 250 police with tommyguns patrolled the square on foot. Others waited in doorways leading into the square.

O'D Presses Drive To Legalize Gambling

By Michael Singer

Mayor O'Dwyer yesterday pressed his proposal for legalized gambling in New York City in a concurrent message to the four legislative leaders of both parties in Albany. The Mayor's message was flown up by police plane yesterday afternoon. The Mayor did not send the message to Gov. Dewey, who is known to be violently opposed to the legalized betting plan. The tension between the two men is believed near the breaking point.

O'Dwyer said "I don't favor wide open gambling, but strictly controlled gambling—controlled not by municipalities but by the state." His proposal was restricted "solely to regu[illegible]ion and control of betting on public sport events."

New York District Attorney Frank S. Hogan is reported to have in his possession documented complaints by bookmakers and small businessmen of exorbitant police shakedowns. Businessmen, particularly, charged excessive graft demands by police officials during the Christmas season.

FORCED SHIFTS

These complaints, it is understood, forced Police Commissioner William P. O'Brien on orders of the Mayor to shift 53 top police officials from deputy inspector down to lieutenant into different districts. Nevertheless, horse rooms and gambling parlors are still operating in those districts on a quiet and more circumspect basis.

The Daily Worker learned, too, that Republican leaders in Albany are convinced O'Dwyer's plan to make public betting an official administrative policy is a clever smokescreen to hide widespread corruption in the police department, and to cover up ties between political leaders and the racketeers.

There may be no overt action against the O'Dwyer administration during the next few weeks of the legislative session. But the Republicans are not likely to permit such a juicy issue to slip out of their fingers in an election year.

The only possibility that the state may not step into the political-racketeer picture in New York City is the fact that Republicans are also directly involved.

Coming — this weekend — in *The Worker*

William Z. Foster recalls the price labor has paid because of

'SUICIDAL SPLITTING TACTICS'

Says FBI Taps Phones Of UN, Embassies

The attorney for Valentin Gubitchev charged in court yesterday that the FBI consistently taps the telephone wires of most of the embassies, missions and United Nations delegations of foreign countries in the United States.

Abraham L. Pomerantz, arguing that prosecution evidence against Gubitchev, a Soviet diplomat employed by the UN, was gained by illegal wire-tapping, said he could show his client's phone was tapped long before last Feb. 1 as the government claims.

"There is evidence of the tapping of the telephones of foreign embassies and missions in this country," he said. "Mr. Gubitchev enjoyed no preferential treatment at the hands of the FBI. In common with many—and perhaps most—of the foreigners whose host we are at the UN he was subject to systematic wire-tapping long before Feb. 1, 1949."

Judge Sylvester J. Ryan interrupted Pomerantz.

"It is immaterial and the prosecution has repeatedly denied it," the judge said. "You are making very broad and wild unfounded statement."

"Let me prove it," said Pomerantz.

"You can bring up the matter again after the government has finished its case," Judge Ryan said.

The judge said late today that he hoped to conclude this week the pre-trial testimony in the case of Gubitchev and Judith Coplon, 28-year-old former Justice Department employe, on charges of espionage. Ryan said he would probably hear the defense lawyer's summations next week and, if he rules against them, the trial proper will begin then.

For Mobilization On Civil Rights Despite Rebuff

Expressing full support of the Jan. 15 National Emergency Civil Rights Mobilization, C. B. Baldwin, national secretary of the Progressive Party, yesterday criticized Roy Wilkins, acting secretary of the NAACP, for refusing to invite Rep. Vito Marcantonio to speak at the parley and for linking the Progressives to the Dixiecrats. In a letter to Wilkins, Baldwin wrote:

"Your gratuitous affront in attempting to place the Progressive Party and the Dixiecrats in the same category will be resented and rejected by millions of Negro and white Americans who know the uncompromising fight which the Progressive Party has consistently waged to win full equality for the Negro people, who remember such actions as Mr. Wallace's tour of the South in the summer of 1948 when he directly challenged the vile practices of Jimcrow, and who are familiar with the unparalleled record of Congressman Marcantonio in the fight for civil rights legislation.

"You may be assured the Progressive Party will give its full support to the Washington conference in the conviction that the objective for which it has been called is the common cause of all democratic Americans. Our Party will continue to fight for the enactment of civil rights legislation and to cooperate with all others sincerely dedicated to this end."

NAACP Aide to Talk At Rights Parley

Clarence Mitchell, Labor Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, will be the key speaker tonight (Thursday) at the Civil Rights Conference in the Harlem YWCA, 179 W. 137 St.

FEDERAL RENT CHIEF HUNTS WAY TO BYPASS CITY LAW

Federal Housing Expeditor Tighe E. Woods yesterday called regional subordinates at the Empire State to an emergency meeting to determine the significance of the revalidation of the Sharkey rent laws on regional rent decisions.

Up until the Sharkey law was revalidated by the State Legislature the regional OHE acted independently of the city rent law. Under the law the City Rent Commission has the power to accept or reject federal increases through its eviction powers.

Woods appeared on the side of the landlord in the court case whose decision invalidated the law. The Legislature's action has now thrown the federal office into a crisis.

Woods turned down requests of New York City landlords to postpone the two-year painting and decorating schedule which goes into effect next week.

Press Roundup, a summary of editorial comment in the metropolitan press, appears each day in the Daily Worker.

Hilliard Again Refuses to See ALP on Relief Cut

By Louise Mitchell

Welfare Commissioner Raymond Hilliard yesterday again refused to meet with a delegation of American Labor Party spokesmen who had come to his office at 902 Broadway to urge that he rescind the relief cut ordered to begin on Monday.

It was the second time within two days Hilliard refused to see ALP leaders. The first occurred on Tuesday when an ALP picket line of several hundred demonstrated in front of his office.

ALP leaders condemned Hilliard's refusal to confer with them as showing his "contempt for the public and his callous indifference to the needs of 322,000 men, women and children on relief."

Continued protests against the cuts will be conducted by ALP community groups with picket lines, delegations to City Hall and leaflet distributions, it was announced.

The delegation was headed by Arthur Schutzer, executive secretary of the New York State ALP.

Meanwhile the Mayor's attempt to pass the buck on the relief issue failed. Federal and state authorities whom he called upon on Tuesday to make a study of adequate relief budgets declined to act yesterday.

A Social Security Administration spokesman immediately pointed out that it was the responsibility of the state to deal with municipal relief problems. Deputy State Commissioner Peter Kasius had "no comment" on the Mayor's bid. He has denied the Hilliard charge that the state ordered or okayed the reductions.

Earlier in the day Hilliard used the divisive attack of city CIO and AFL leaders against the ALP picket-line to bolster his position in cutting relief. Although the two labor bodies were among the large group of organizations demanding the revocation of the relief reductions, anti-ALP remarks by them were seized upon by Hilliard to defend himself.

Stoppage to Hit Failure to Negotiate

More than 800 workers of the two social work agencies for newly arrived displaced persons—United Service for New Americans and the New York Association for New Americans will stop work today in protest against the failure of the agencies to negotiate a new contract with Social Service Employes Union Local 19 CIO United Office and Professional Workers.

Peace Rally to Hear Rogge, Steel

O. John Rogge and Johannes Steel will present startling new evidence of American participation in the renazification of Germany at the Roll Call for Peace in Manhattan Center on Thursday evening, Jan. 26, it was announced yesterday by Dr. Edward K. Barsky, national chairman of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, which is sponsoring the meeting.

Reception for Rose Gaulden Here Tonight

A reception to honor Rose Gaulden, leading Negro woman Communist and chairman of the Communist Party in the 13th Assembly District, will be held tomorrow (Friday), 9 p.m. in the United Mutual Auditorium, 310 Lenox Ave.

She has resigned her post in the 13th A.D. to take another assignment.

Born in Thomasville, Ga., Miss Gaulden was from 1924 to 1943 a graduate nurse in Harlem Hospital. Since 1946, Miss Gaulden has devoted full time to the Communist Party. She has been a member of the Communist Party's National Committee, and has served on the State and county committees in New York.

Farewell Reception For Charles Bidien

A farewell reception for Charles Bidien, vice-chairman of the American Committee for Indonesian Independence, and his wife, Eleanor, will be tendered Thursday evening, Jan. 19, at Irving Plaza. Bidien is leaving the U.S. after 20 years residence in New York, as a victim of the Justice Department's deportation drive.

The committee which is sponsoring the farewell affair has requested contributions toward transportation expenses. Offices of the American Committee for Indonesian Independence are at 23 W. 26th St.

Mayor Calls Parley On Drivers' Dispute

Mayor William O'Dwyer yesterday called a meeting of union and company representatives at 2 p.m. today, only 10 hours before the scheduled strike of 1,200 fuel oil and coal truck drivers who deliver 90 percent of the city's fuel.

O'Dwyer said he also had asked the federal mediation service to attend the meeting.

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Open Drive for China Recognition

United States recognition of the People's Republic of China is a key demand of an all-out national campaign launched by the Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy, as announced in the current issue of its publication, Far East Spotlight.

The committee says it expects thousands of Americans to express their support of the campaign for friendship, trade and recognition of China by signing scrolls now being released.

A "friendship tab" will be worn by thousands who contribute as they sign the scroll. It shows the flags of the United States and the New China together surrounded by the words FRIENDSHIP—RECOGNITION—TRADE. The Chinese ideographs for FRIENDSHIP are presented under the flags.

Above are some of the hundreds of workers, organized by the American Labor Party, protesting the scheduled relief cuts in front of Welfare Department offices at 902 Broadway, Tuesday. Welfare Commissioner Raymond Hilliard refused to meet with an ALP delegation, a refusal he repeated yesterday. Continued protests against the cuts are being conducted throughout the city.

—Daily Worker Photos by Peter

Unions Back Civil Rights Rally in D.C.

By John Hudson Jones

Reports from all over the country show that preparations are gathering momentum for large delegations of unionists to the powerful and historic National Civil Rights Mobilization in Washington, Jan. 15-17.

The three-day meeting, which will present demands for civil rights measures to President Truman and Congress, is sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

In the South, the Negro people are busily engaged in increasing the registration of Negroes for voting.

In several Southern cities where poll taxes must be paid, the percentage of Negroes who voted in recent elections was far bigger than those voting in New York and Chicago which has the free ballot.

The preparations for the mobilization have also increased the pressure on local governments such as in Los Angeles where the NAACP branch has demanded that the City Council memorialize Congress and the Administration for the passage of civil right legislation.

The most important product of the mobilization has been the unprecedented development of unity among Negroes themselves as well as an awakening of both AFL and CIO unions to the critical need for action on civil rights.

Connecticut cities such as Danbury, Waterbury, Bridgeport, New Haven and New Britain, NAACP conferences as well as AFL and CIO unions have elected delegates.

In Detroit four locals of the CIO Automobile and the UAW International have elected delegates, as well as the Detroit chapter of the National Lawyers Guild. Delegates have been elected by 10,000 member steel local at Carnegie-Illinois Sheet and Tin mill in Gary, and the 6,000 strong Youngstown Shet and Tube plant in East Chicago. Other delegations will come from Local 1014 largest local with 17,000 members at the Carnegie-Illinois Gary Steel Works; and the East Chicago Inland local. The General American Transporation local is also sending a delegation.

MINNEAPOLIS SUPPORT

In Minneapolis, the United Labor Committee for Hluman Relations, the AFL Central Labor Committee, B'nai B'rith, the Progressive Party and other groups have thrown full support behind the mobilization and its objectives.

Reports from Los Angeles and Minneapolis reveal that sharp criticism has been directed against the NAACP National Office for its "loyalty" screening of organizations seeking unity participation. The reaction based on this ban has inspired demands for unity from many influential sources.

In Brooklyn, Rev. Sandy F. Ray, of the Corner Stone Baptist Church, delivered a ringing call for unity among Negroes last Sunday at the Mount Lebanon Baptist Church during a mass rally backing the mobilization. The rally was sponsored by the Interdenominational Ministers Alliance.

URGES UNITY

"No Negro, whatever his position," Rev. Ray declared, "has grounds for satisfaction until this colony of slavery is broken and all men are free in body and soul. Our hope is in moving the masses to break the colony and march unitedly to the center of American life. We must unite for the freedom of all people."

CIO Splitters Duck Parley On GE Election

The United Electrical Workers yesterday blasted the CIO dual International United Electrical Union for failure to appear Monday at a conference arranged by the National Labor Relations Board to schedule a speedy election among General Electric Workers. The failure of the IUE to show up was cited by James McLeish, president of UE District 4, covering the metropolitan area, as "proof positive that the CIO's rump union in the electrical industry has no support among GE workers."

Present at the conference Monday were representatives of the UE, General electric and the NLRB. No IUE representative appeared, although the outfit was invited after it had earlier been forced by the UE's insistence to agree on a consent election.

"The IUE's non-attendance at the Board meeting," McLeish declared, "exposes its fears of an election. It also exposes the falsity of the GE Company's claim that it is 'in doubt' as to what union represents GE employes."

The company had earlier announced cancelation of its contract with the UE, effective April 1, on the grounds that the dual union claimed representation of the workers. The cancelation was announced in the midst of UE negotiations for a wage increase.

"The UE has been eager to arrange early elections in the three big electrical companies to prevent the employers from using the IUE as an excuse to attack and undermine the workers' conditions," McLeish said. It is quite apparent that IUE's deals with the companies have so completely revolted the workers that they will give Carey's outfit a complete drubbing in NLRB elections."

Continue Senate '5 Percent' Probe

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 (UP).—The Senate Rules Committee today approved another year of life for the Senate investigating subcommittee which dug into activities of "five percenters" last year.

Producing Faster B-47 Jet Bomber

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 (UP).—The Air Force now is producing a new version of the B-47 jet bomber which flies faster than 600 miles an hour and has a range of more than 4,000 miles, it was disclosed today.

The Invisible Ear

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Reuther Declines To Investigate 'Loans' to Gosser

By William Allan

DETROIT, Mich. Jan. 11.—John A. Bolman, the member of United Auto Workers Local 12 who has sued to recover money for the local from Richard T. Gosser, a UAW vice-president, has revealed that he has sent all the evidence in the case to Walter Reuther, UAW vice-president. Yet Reuther has not made a single move to investigate, has refused to comment and in fact his office declared last week that it had no knowledge of the entire affair.

Bolman's suit charged, as noted, that Gosser used his UAW office to get local to lend $20,000 to the Willo-Land Sportmen's Club, of which Gosser is president, and to buy real estate on which the club made a profit of $21,000.

Bolman, a Spicer Mfg. worker, was fired four hours after he filed his suit in Common Pleas Court. No real effort has been made by union officials to get Bolman back his job.

Last October Bolman was hospitalized following a beating by Gosser's bodyguards.

Gosser is a darling of the employers, working with them to establish a Labor-Management-Citizens Committee whose obvious purpose was to prevent any militant action by the shop workers.

From this has come Gosser's slogan of "more production if you want more wages in Toledo." He was also the character who introduced the idea of music in the plants to stimulate the workers to greater productivity.

Anyone who sought to struggle in Toledo against the boss collaboration policies of Gosser was met with torrents of redbaiting and beatings from his nationally known "goon" squads.

These "goons" can be seen at all times around union headquarters wearing blue shirts. Gosser leads them in city parades and wears four stars on each of the shoulders of his blue shirt.

Some months ago Gosser's wife, Ruth, in a petition for divorce charged that Gosser besides his salary of $800 a month, drew $10,000 a year profits from his ownership of the Colonial Hard-

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Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

Leonard Lyons' column in the **New York Post** carried this item the other day: "Herman Levin, the producer of 'Gentlemen Prefer Blondes,' received word from the show's press-agent that the drama critic of the Daily Worker had denounced the show. 'It's a good thing we don't have any 20 cents seats,' said the producer. 'Otherwise, such a review could kill us'."

Now, isn't that hilarious—to think that there are people who can't afford to pay more than 20 cents to see a show?

I haven't seen 'Gentlemen Prefer Blondes' although I read it years ago, but from this sample of the producer's humor, I am sure our drama critic was right.

As for the **Post** running such a crack, well it's something to think about. Fact is, although any capitalist newspaper is glad to gather in the pennies from anyone, it concerns itself with the interests and habits of the middle and higher brackets. The more readers with more dollars to buy more things at higher prices—that means the more chance of getting more ads from more manufacturers and more stories. Which means more profits for the paper.

With the Daily Worker it's the other way round, although we need all the ads we can get. The Daily Worker is concerned with the millions of people who have little to spend because their pockets have already been picked. The Daily Worker's concern is to show them what to do about it.

Today's POINT of ORDER

Mayor O'Dwyer wants gambling legalized in New York. If Congress passes the 20 billion dollar appropriation for more cold war, that will be legalizing the biggest and crookedest gamble in history.

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Next Steps in Fight to Save the NMU

By Al Lannon

The recent anti-Curran uprising of the New York membership of the National Maritime Union brought to a new high the struggle of the rank and file to return their union to a militant and progressive path.

This revolt grew out of the dissatisfaction of the membership with increasing unemployment and the constant worsening of conditions, together with their growing recognition that the Curran clique had one purpose—to force the seamen into unresisting acceptance of this state of affairs.

The realization that Joseph Curran, NMU president, is out to convert the NMU into a company union is no longer confined to the Communists and other progressives. Thousands of seamen, including large numbers who previously supported Curran, are fast losing every shred of illusions they previously had on this score, and are gripped by a burning desire to find a path out of the present state of affairs brought about by Curran's red-baiting betrayal of their needs and democratic rights.

This upsurge would not have been possible but for the uncompromising and constant resistance put up, over a long period, by the Communists and left-progressives in the NMU.

The rank and file struggles of the past year, initiated and led by the "Voice of the Membership" group, around the issues of democracy in the union, grievances aboard ships, unemployment and the attempts of the shipowners to perpetuate and widen discriminatory practices, drew larger and larger sections of the membership into the fight.

These developments, plus the fact that it had become clear, even to Curran supporters, that Curran was not only to "get the Communists" but to wipe out all opposition to his company union program, brought about a split in the Curran clique when such people as New York agent Drummond and vice-president Jack Lawrenson took a stand with the membership against the Curran program.

Split in Curran Camp

This split in the Curran camp helped to speed up the awareness of the rank and file and led to Curran's first full scale defeat when his proposed "Anti-Communist" constitutional amendments were defeated in a referendum vote of the membership last summer.

While some forces in the "Independent Caucus" acted to limit this struggle to the one issue of for or against the amendment, the Communists and other progressive forces sought to make clear to the seamen the connection between this issue and the entire struggle against the company union program of Curran.

The "Voice" group carried on a consistent struggle for unity and a fighting program to meet the attack of the shipowners and saw the fight against Curran's "amendment" as a part of this struggle.

As a result, when the referendum was over, a vastly larger, more articulate, conscious and militant anti-Curran army was in the field.

This, to a great degree determined, the kind of NMU convention we saw last September. It was not the hip pocket affair Curran expected it to be. He was faced with an organized bloc of delegates who, though a minority in this packed convention, represented the majority of the membership.

Post-Convention Upsurge

Following the convention, Curran was faced with a serious problem. For months the membership in New York had been voting consistently against his policies. The port (which comprises almost half of the membership and is also the headquarters of the union) became the center of the struggle to restore rank and file democracy in the union and to resist the onslaught of the shipowners upon the wages, working and living conditions of the workers.

The struggle in New York was being extended to a number of the other ports and to an increasing number of the seamen aboard ships. If allowed to continue, this developing struggle seriously threatened to smash the Curran clique control of the NMU in the elections coming up between January and July this year. This explains why Curran decided to "move in" on the Port of New York.

Unable to win any support in New York to remove the anti-Curran port officials, and failing to win any substantial rank and file support outside of New York, Curran moved to oust the regularly elected officials, who opposed his policies, by force and intimidation.

Curran Calls Cops

For 30 days the rank and file membership beat back every attempt of Curran, supported by the police, to forcibly remove their elected officials. At the membership meeting of Nov. 17, Curran faced an aroused and fighting port membership who prevented him from "taking over" the meeting in spite of the support given him by some 600 "imported" votes and a 100-man police force supplied by Mayor O'Dwyer. Curran and his gang were forced to flee, while the membership voted to condemn his activities and bring him up on charges

A week later, hundreds of police invaded and "captured" the hiring hall and installed Curran and his goons, who then "elected" a port "administrator." The mass invasion by the police prevented any immediate effective counter measures by the rank and file.

Then Curran's goons, covered by the police inside and outside of the union hall, screened every member who tried to enter the hall. "Unacceptables" were fingered and driven off by the police or had their union books taken away. All gatherings of aroused and angry union members were brutally broken up by police on foot and horseback. All members who were allowed in the hall were forced to sign Curran's "loyalty pledge" cards.

The December Meeting

These were the actions Curran resorted to in setting the stage for the infamous "membership" meeting of Dec. 1.

The American labor movement has never witnessed such a "union meeting." The day before the meeting, 37 busloads of screened and intimidated members arrived in New York. They came from as far west as San Pedro and as far south as Texas. These 1,400 "imported" members had been told they would go to New York with all expenses paid and vote for Curran or else they would not be permitted to ship out. Where Curran got the money to pay for this whole operation involving tremendous expense is not explained.

SEAMEN defy cops in a meeting last November to show Joe Curran what they think of him.

The area around the St. Nicholas Arena, the meeting hall, looked like a battlefield. Every member entering the hall had first to pass through a cordon of 100 cops and then pass the inspection of scores of Curran's goons imported from all over the country.

Inside the hall, hundreds more of police stood shoulder to shoulder in every aisle, around the membership and in front of the stage. It was in this atmosphere that Curran got his "victory vote."

All votes were taken by the "Honest Ballot Association" and this was played up in the press to prove that it was an "honest" vote. The press did not report the fact that, in order to vote, every member had to stand up and hold his book aloft under the eyes of the police and the roving squads of Curran's finger men.

While 4,500 members attended the meeting, the highest vote recorded revealed that only some 2,300 voted and of these some 600 voted consistently against Curran in spite of the terror and police intimidation.

Terror Continues

Since this meeting, the police and the goon control of the union hall continues, with intensified intimidation of the membership through book lifting, denial of shipping rights, physical violence, jailings and threats.

However, the fact that the police have to keep intervening in the union proves one thing—that Curran and the shipowners have no confidence in their "victory." It proves furthermore that the setbacks are neither major nor permanent and that the rank and file has the striking power to change the present situation.

In order to bring about the most effective mobilization of all the anti-shipowner and anti-Curran forces and change the present situation, it is necessary to review briefly weaknesses of the anti-Curran forces in this struggle.

While it is true, and it cannot be minimimized, that the unprecedented intervention of the police, the unlimited finances for "invading armies," and the atmosphere of political and economic intimidation had its effect; nevertheless, some steps could have been taken that would have prevented this temporary setback.

It was clear after the Nov. 17 meeting that one of two things must happen if the mobility and militancy of the New York membership was to be maintained. Either ways had to be found to block Curran completely in his efforts to remove the NY officials and seize the hiring hall, or the struggle had to be rapidly extended to gain wide support on the ships and in the other ports.

The Real Issues

It was important to make clear to the membership the connection between the crisis in the port of New York and the failure of the Union to have a policy on unemployment, a militant policy to deal with the thousands of grievances aboard ship, a policy to combat the growing discrimination against Negro and Puerto Rican members, etc. It was further necessary to discuss frankly with the rank and file all possible results of the immediate battle for the port of New York.

This was not done, primarily because of the lack of unity of the anti-Curran camp, which created confusion and obstacles towards eliminating a number of serious weaknesses, and even wrong policies pursued especially by the "Independent Caucus." There was too much reliance placed on the court case without rank and file mobilization; inability to effectively cover the ships; hesitation in reaching the other ports; and, finally, unwillingness to give authority and assistance to the 30-man united rank and file steering committee which had been set up.

These were the main weaknesses that prevented the further growth and development of the rank and file upsurge.

It must also be noted that while the members of the "Voice" group on the united committee worked hard to carry through on the necessary actions, there was an underestimation on their part of the potentiality of this unity committee. Had they fully understood the role that this committee would play, they would have driven harder on their own initiative and gotten more results.

Many Ports Respond

As it was, numerous ships did respond to support the New York membership; the port of San Francisco voted overwhelming support; Baltimore did likewise; and Boston voted its support with vice-president Duffy present to steal the vote for Curran.

While the rapidity with which events occurred limited the possibilities of reaching all ships and ports, the correction of these weaknesses could have secured sufficient mobilization to keep the New York membership organized to the high degree of militancy approaching the Nov. 17 meeting. Instead of 2,000 members abstaining from voting at the Dec. 1 meeting, Curran might have suffered a disastrous defeat.

The continued influence of the Trotzkyites in the "Independent Caucus," and the role they played in sabotaging and blocking all attempts for a united fight, was reflected at this meeting.

In the face of the openly expressed resentment of the majority of the membership against Curran's red-baiting attacks upon the New York officials, some of these officials, when they were given the chance to speak in their "defense," spent most of their time in trying to prove that they were more "anti-Communist" than Curran. As a direct result, there were hundreds of members who became confused and disgusted and did note vote.

While Communists sincerely reject the partisan idea of fighting or maneuvering to put control of the rank and file movement into the hands of Communists or "pro-Communists," we also insist that those who allow themselves to be dictated by partisan motives and maneuver to put control of the rank and file movement into the hands of anti-Communists are disrupting the unity and solidarity of the rank and file.

Path To Victory

There is but one test of loyalty to correct policy and leadership in this struggle, and that is the test which rejects any and all false or divisive issues and policies. It does not concern itself with the false issues of building a "new front" against Communism or for Communism. It works to build a united front—a United Front against the shipowners and their agents. This is the only path to victory.

Division in the ranks of the anti-Curran forces plays into the hands of the shipowners and Curran. The Trotzkyites, who are the organizers of disunity, must be exposed for what they are—Curran's agents in the anti-Curran camp.

The fighting unity of all anti-Curran forces is a life and death question now, in the struggle to defend the wages and conditions of the seamen, and to reestablish rank a dnfile control of the NMU.

The great majority of the membership, who are becoming aware of Curran's role in behalf of the shipowners and want to fight, become confused and demoralized when they see disunity in the anti-Curran camp.

This unity must be established in the day to day struggles aboard the ships and ashore; against the worsening of conditions aboard ships and for job action to enforce the contracts; against the criminal discrimination against the Negro members and other minority groups; in the defense of the rotary shipping through the hiring hall; for unemployment insurance and relief, etc. The united fight on these and other issues must have practical organization that can follow through and win.

This kind of unity in day to day struggles will bring about the mobilization of the entire membership of the NMU and guarantee the victory in the fight to save the union and its hard-won gains.

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Law of the Land -- But Not for the FBI

By Harry Raymond

(Continued from yesterday)

How many times federal officers have violated federal law and the U.S. Constitution by their secret tapping of telephone conversations is not known. But it is known that the list of phones tapped by government officers last year is a long one.

Publication of the list would shock the nation. It would include the names of public officials, lawyers, political figures, trade union officers and members, authors, actors, artists, scientists, clergymen and factory workers. Even judges of the court would find their names on the list.

JUSTICE BRANDEIS

The wire-tapping menace to American civil liberties is growing. It threatens the privacy of every home and office in the land where a telephone is installed.

Yet wire-tapping is declared illegal under federal law. It is punishable by fine and imprisonment. Section 605 of the Federal Communications Act states:

- "No person not being authorized by the sender shall intercept any communication and divulge or publish the existence, contents, purport, effect, or meaning of such intercepted communication to any person."
- "No person not being entitled thereto shall receive or assist in receiving any interstate or foreign communication by wire or radio and use the same or any information therein contained for his own benefit or for the benefit of another not entitled thereto."
- "No person having received such intercepted communication or having become acquainted with the contents, substance, purport, effect, or meaning of the same or any part thereof, knowing that such information was so obtained, shall divulge or publish the existence, contents, substance, purport, effect, or meaning of the same or any part thereof, or use the same or any information therein contained for his own benefit or other not entitled thereto."

Section 501 of the Act made the wilful and knowing violation of Section 605 punishable by a fine of not more than $10,000 or by imprisonment for a term of not more than two years or both.

VIOLATE LAW

Any government agent, state or city law enforcement officer who intercepts a telephone conversation invariably, in the course of his duty, divulges the information to his superior or another officers. He has thus committed a clear violation of Section 605 and should, if discovered in the act, be indicted and ordered to face trial.

But federal prosecutors, who are today relying more and more on illegal wire-tapping to build up their cases, are not inclined to prosecute federal officers who secure evidence for the masses by this overt violation of the law.

A state or city officer who taps wires under a state statute (such as the New York law permitting wire tapping by officers who secure a state supreme court order) also places himself in the position of violating the federal law while acting within the limits of state law.

"Yet cases of prosecutions of officers committing these crimes are noteworthy for their scarcity," said Margaret Lybolt Rosenzweig, leading authority on the law of wire tapping.

There is only one case reported of prosecution under Section 605, and the defendants were not officers but private individuals.

VOICE PROTESTS

Public objection to wire tapping was first voiced during the last half of the 19th Century. Protests arose over acts of tapping telegraph lines. These protests gave rise to a new body of law for protection of this growing system of communication.

Provisions of the new law were usually in the form of a "malicious injury" statute forbidding wire tapping and other interferences with the telegraph system. But there were very few prosecutions.

Wire tapping became a major public issue in the 1920's when federal officers launched a widespread secret telephone interception campaign in their efforts to get convictions for prohibition law violation. Wire tapping machinery had been so perfected as to defy detection by its victims in most cases. Large sections of the law-abiding public became aroused when it was learned that private matters discussed over telephones were being intercepted and recorded by the police.

It was argued in the courts that the wire tapping officers were violating the Fourth Amendment of the U. S. Constitution. Judges were reminedd of the amendment which provides that:

"The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated."

The courts were likewise reminded that the Fifth Amendment of the Constitution provides that no person "shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself."

In the first major test of wire tapping before the Supreme Court the judges by a five to four decision upheld the admissibility of intercepted phone messages as evidence. This was the decision in the famous Olmstead case of 1928 in which a conviction of violating the Prohibition Act was obtained largely by tapping phones of the defendants by federal officers.

Chief Justice Taft, voicing the majority opinion, said that the words "search" and "seizure" in the Fourth Amendment could not be construed as prohibiting gathering evidence by hearing and sight. Although the wire tapping was done in the State of Washington where the state law held it a misdemeanor, the majority of the court ruled that the illegal act of the federal officers in obtaining the evidence did not affect its admissibility.

Said Justice Holmes in his dissent, however: "No distinction can be taken between the government as prosecutor and the government as judge. If the existing code does not permit district attorneys to have a hand in such dirty business it does not permit the judge to allow such iniquities to succeed."

RIGHT OF PRIVACY

Justice Brandeis in his dissent declared that the Fourth and Fifth Amendments should not be read so literally as not to protect the right of privacy they were framed to safeguard. He said the amendments should be interpreted to protect the people against the "subtler and more far-reaching means of invading privacy." Justice Butler stated telephone interception constituted a physical interference with the wires and therefore was an actual search. Justice Stone also dissented.

The Federal Communications Act was adopted by Congress in 1934. In 1937 the Supreme Court reversed a conviction in the Nardone prohibition case. The court overthrew the law used in the Olmstead case, stating the wire tap evidence used to convict the defendants in the Nardone case was illegal and not admissible in federal court.

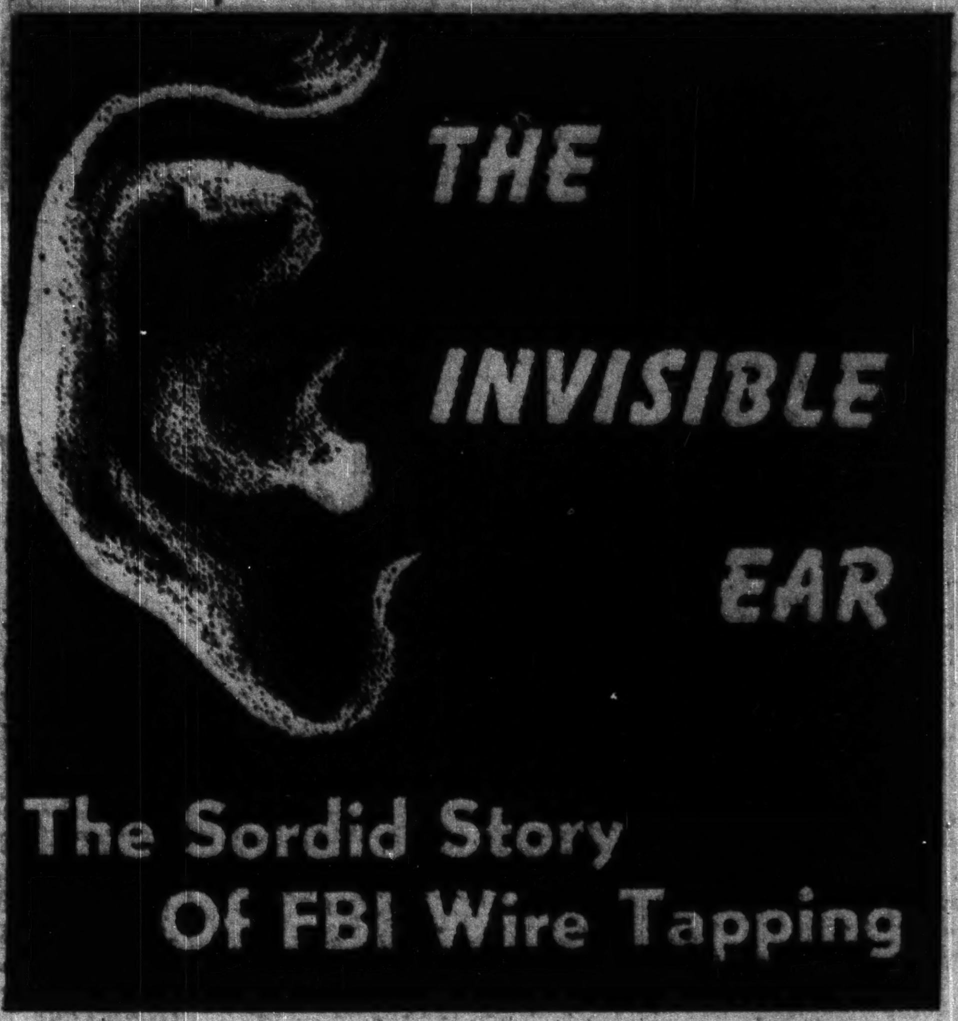
DECLARED ILLEGAL

The dissenting opinion of Justice Holmes and Brandeis of nearly a decade before became the law of the land. Wire tapping was declared illegal in these words:

"Congress may have thought it less important that some offenders should go unwhipped of justice than that officers should resort to methods deemed inconsistent with ethical standards and destructive of personal liberty. The same considerations may well have moved the Congress to adopt Section 605 as evoked the guarantee against practices and procedures violative of privacy, embodied in the Fourth and Fifth Amendments of the Constitution."

Section 605 of the Communications Act and the Nardone decision is the law of the land today. But wire tapping continues to be a major enterprise.

(The third article on wire tapping will appear in the Daily Worker tomorrow.)



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Imperialism Hurts You Too

By John Pittman

WARFARE IS RAGING throughout southeast Asia, strikes and demonstrations are spreading in Africa and the Middle East, and political explosions recur in Latin America—all against policies like the one President Truman last week asked Congress to authorize under the name of "assistance to underdeveloped countries." The Chinese, Vietnamese, Indonesians, Filipinos, Burmese, Malayans, Africans, Arabs and Latin peons all know that such a high-sounding title is merely a mask for imperialism. Beneath such labels they have learned to recognize the successive stages of a process:

First: INVESTMENT, the buying up by foreign capital of their land and resources; second: ACQUISITION, gradual control over the way they earn their livelihood; Third: DOMINATION of their country's policy and their entire existence.

By whatever name this process is called in the countries of the exploiters—whether "civilizing mission," "white man's burden," "tutelage of backward peoples," "containment of communism," or "assistance to underdeveloped countries,"—the peoples now waging armed struggle for their independence know it as imperialism.

The question is: do Americans know?

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TRUMAN HAS TAKEN PAINS to prevent us from knowing. He has promised pie in the sky by and by—61,000,000 jobs and an income averaging $5,000 yearly for all U. S. families in the next five years. But to this promise he has tied a package of conditions; some good ones, which have little chance of Congressional passage; others sure to win backing, such as this so-called "assistance to underdeveloped countries." **Thus he is offering American wage-earners a bribe for helping their employers (the investors) enslave and plunder the workers of other lands.**

A second question is: How can Americans who have already been duped into supporting that other high-sounding device for controlling other peoples, the Marshall Plan, avoid the catastrophe which imperialism will bring upon them?

For this is the great truth about imperialism. **Although it brings misery to the exploited, it also leads to catastrophe for the wage-earners who ally themselves with their employers to exploit other peoples.** It strengthens the power of their employers over them. It fails to save them from depression; on the contrary, it deepens depression, makes it more devastating. And in the end it plunges them into war in an effort to maintain with the machinegun the dictatorship over others which was first imposed with the dollar.

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THE LIFE-AND-DEATH INTERESTS of American wage-earners lie, therefore, not in allying themselves with their employers against the Chinese, Indonesians, Africans, Arabs and Latin Americans, but in an alliance with all these people against their employers. This is what is meant by international solidarity of the workers.

But for Americans this international working-class solidarity begins at home—in the first place as between white wage-earners and the Negro people. For if the white American trade unionist understands the identity of his interest with the interest of the Negro who works beside him, lives in a ghetto in the same city, pays taxes to the same government, and is employed by the same employer, this understanding will lead him to recognize the identity of his interest with that of the Indonesian who is also working for Firestone, of the African who is also employed by duPont. And he will be less ready to accept a bribe from Firestone and duPont for helping them to grind down the Indonesian and African into slavery and want, and to create "Negro problems" all over the world.

And if the white American trade unionist understands how imperialism's fifth column in the labor movement—the Greens and Murrays, Reuthers and Careys, Randolphs and Townsends—are in alliance with the employers to deny Negroes the right to work, to keep them in Jimcrow unions, to bar their way to skilled jobs and union leadership—all the while giving lip-service to Negro equality, if the white unionist understands this, he will understand the role of this same fifth column in deserting the World Trade Union Federation, in campaigning for the Marshall Plan, in setting up an international of provocateurs.

Hence, it can be said that as white American trade unionists fulfill their responsibility to the Negro people, they increase at the same time their power to fight against the catastrophe of imperialism.

VIRGIL By Len Kleis

Letters from Readers

Disagrees with Opponent Of Simpler Language

New York

Editor, Daily Worker:

I emphatically disagree with C. Olson who in a recent letter expresses himself as being opposed to simpler language in the Daily Worker. He says, "When a person proceeds on the assumption that no word not understood by him has a right to be used, his mind has reached a dangerous point of mental shallows."

It so happens that when a worker comes home tired at night from work, and picks up his newspaper, he is in no mood to learn new words, or to plow himself through complicated sentence structures which are unfortunately still so common in the Daily Worker. Anyway, since when is this sort of language good literature?

Some columnists like George Morris must be congratulated for having broken away from this difficult style. It is not the columnists—it is the news articles that sin most in this repect.

Still, this criticism of style, serious as it is, does not change the fact that the Daily Worker is still the best newspaper in these United States.

—ELLIE F.

Press Roundup

THE HERALD TRIBUNE'S Alsop boys see as a "grave scandal," the announcement by Defense Secretary Johnson of proposed "defense" economies. "And this," the Alsops wail, "is done in the face of most intelligence reports, telling of great Soviet advances in air strength of all kinds." The Alsops, it appears, want to match the mournful warnings of a fellow-columnist. But they only sound like a badly-retarded Lippmann.

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THE WORLD TELERAM'S Peter Edson seems to be demonstrating that the Republican strategy will be demagogically to attack Truman on growing unemployment. He writes: "The general impression to be gained from reading the President's messages is that everything in the country is lovely and is going to get lovelier. But buried in the messages are half a dozen proposals to deal with this really nasty unemployment situation."

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THE JOURNAL AMERICAN'S George Sokolsky speaks up for "an abused, and maligned heroic personality." Hitler? Almost. It's Chiang Kai-shek.

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THE NEWS is all for the O'Dwyer proposal to legalize gambling, because any other course is "hypocrisy." By the same token the News would also like to legalize violence against progressives, since it's being done anyhow.

THE MIRROR'S Walter Winchell sounds like his boss's editorials: "Predatory unions (which try only to get more and more money for their members) wind up giving workers a great deal of nothing. Workers invariably find the wolf at the door when unions are hogs." And the above from an egomaniac who would (almost) rather boast of his huge income than lie about socialism.

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THE COMPASS'S T. O. Thackrey thinks "the Mayor's proposal makes sense" because legal gambling "would rescue the trade from the underworld." Wouldn't it instead move the underworld even deeper into City Hall than it already is?

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THE POST, which always prefers to be hopeful than militant, notes: "We welcome the Mayor's intervention in the relief controversy and we hope it foreshadows decisive action to rescind the inhuman cuts."

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THE TIMES' Anne O'Hare McCormick solemnly informs: "Never in so short a period have so many people won independence." Not in China. Oh, no. "India, Pakistan, Burma, Ceylon, the Philippines, Indonesia and to some extent Indo-China are now sovereign states." If the standard of measurement is how quickly one jumps when the State Department or the British Foreign Office sneeze, we guess Miss McCormick is a "sovereign state" too.—R. F.

World of Labor

By George Morris

"Season's Greetings" to The Furniture Workers

"TEN" APPARENTLY IS the number the CIO's top bookies are playing in their game to win applause and love in Wall Street for busting the unions most obnoxious to business executives. It was the launching of a "Committee of 10" of the prize phonies among the electrical workers that signaled the start of "Operation bust" in the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers and led to a situation that emboldened General Electric, one of the original giants that capitulated to the 1937 fighting CIO, to scrap its contract.

So it goes now in the United Furniture Workers. As the century turned into its second half, the members were surprised to receive an appropriately engraved folder captioned "Season's Greeting." It was signed by the "Committee of Ten," and the names of the minority of 10 assorted rightwingers on the UFW's board who voted for President Morris Pizer's resolution in "support of the program and policies of the CIO adopted at its recent convention."

As the furniture worker who received the "greeting" said to me, "It's like getting a bottle of poison in a Christmas package with a nice ribbon tied around it." Furniture workers who sweated and sacrificed to build the union know what the greeting means. It's notice that a wrecking squad of 10, with old hands like renegades Jack Hochstadt and Pizer on it, is now passing into furniture.

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MOST WORKERS don't read employer trade papers, like **Retailing Daily.** But that paper already on Dec. 1 gleefully ran a story of Hochstadt's speech before his Local 76 membership raising the curtain for an internal fight that was bound to be enjoyable to furniture manufacturers.

Why Pizer now suddenly wants to kiss the hands of those in the CIO's hierarchy who have for a year been raiding and wiping out affiliates of the UFW, has never been cleared up to the union's members. As we noted in this column on Dec. 26, Pizer's mysterious change of mind occurred in the two hours in which he attended a post-convention meeting of the CIO's executive board in Cleveland. He entered roaring like a lion that he'd fight to the end against CIO dictatorship, and came out like a lamb for a crawl-to-Murray policy. What the strange voices said to him is still a secret.

At least four rightwing CIO unions are raiding UFW. Jim Fadling's International Woodworkers of America is going after UFW plants in Chattanooga, Tenn. Reuther's UAW recently took away a large Grand Rapids plant and is going after UFW bedding companies in Pittsburgh. Harold Sayre's Paper Workers has been going after Tell City, Ind., plants of the union while Emil Rieve's Textile Union is raiding UFW plants in Los Angeles.

Ironically, it was the same Morris Pizer who some months ago suggested even secession from the CIO if the raids don't stop. Now he campaigns for submission to the Murray-Reuther clique as the solution of the union's troubles.

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BUT WHAT DOES submission really mean? The man who is chairman of the committee that is due to try the UFW on charges of "Communism," Emil Rieve, personifies what the CIO's top brass expects from the UFW.

On the very day this Rieve presided over the kangaroo curt "trying" the United Public Workers, the **Wall Street Journal** ran an editorial titled "Labor Statesmanship." It praised Rieve's union for "cooperation with employers" by his announcement for the third successive year (until March, 1951), that his union won't ask for a raise. "It may well prove that the textile workers are practicing economic statesmanship," said the Journal.

Rieve's union didn't even ask for the pie-in-the-sky pension plan, valued at three cents an hour, that Murray got. In fact, last week, his representatives distributed a leaflet outside an American Woolen Co. plant in Providence offering the leader of the AFL union in that plant a $5,000 check if "you can now get a pension."

So, fellow workers of the furniture shops, if you go down the line for Murray and friends you will have the pleasure of knowing that your officers have become "labor statesmen," and your bosses will love them. That's a spiritual delight that should mean much more to you and your children that such material things as higher wages and a fighting union.

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Malik, Milk and Formosa

BUY ANY BREAD AND MILK this morning?

If you did – and most people did – you paid 8 cents taxes on your quart of milk and 5 cents taxes on every pound of bread.

If you bought a pack of cigarettes you paid 8 cents per pack in taxes.

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That is why you read yesterday morning of another big shipment of American tanks to the Chiang grafters now trying to save themselves and Formosa from the wrath of the Chinese people. Ninety train-loads of ammunition were being loaded aboard a Turkish vessel at Philadelphia yesterday. Who paid for it?

You, Mr. and Mrs. Average American who bought bread and milk for your family this morning. At the end of the week, when the White House takes another $5 or $6 out of your pay envelope in "withholding tax" you'll be paying again for these tanks and bullets which the White House and the State Department are rushing to the Chiang Kai-shek bandits in Formosa.

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THE COLD WAR BUDGET calls for one million dollars to help college students, the radio glowingly reports. But the White House and the GOP united last year to buy $125,000,000 worth of ammunition for the Chiang grafters. Wall Street munition makers got the dough, and Chiang got the tanks.

The latest shipment of murder weapons to the Chiang bandits who just shelled an American vessel makes a mockery out of President Truman's recent assurance that we won't interfere in China's internal affairs. Subsidies to the Chiang bandits continue. The "economy" boys in Congress are yelling for even bigger war shipments. These subsidies come out of your pocket.

Instead of building homes for GI's, schools for our kids, and decent hospitals, roads, health centers, etc., Washington's cold war leaders are pouring our national wealth down the drain in a vain effort to impose "free enterprise" on other peoples by force and violence.

When Soviet UN delegate Jacob Malik indignantly refused to accept Chiang's stooge, Tsiang, as president of the UN Security Council yesterday, he was fighting for the American people's welfare no less than for his own country's. He was asking the UN to kick out of its councils the Chiang clique whom the Chinese people kicked out of their country.

Let us halt war shipments to Formosa. Let us halt the cold war and its pork barrel budget which robs millions of American families of decent homes, schools, health care, and adequate old age pensions.

Slapping the Kids on Relief

THE NUMBER OF HUNGRY PEOPLE in New York City is growing.

Amid the skyscrapers, ticker tape, ritzy nightclubs, and Radio City's glamor industry, there marches the spectre of joblessness for more and more families.

That is why the offices of the City Welfare Department were visited yesterday by an American Labor Party delegation to oppose the heartless relief cuts going into effect Jan. 16.

Several hundred citizens formed a picket line outside the Welfare building downtown. It was a reminder of the people's relief struggles of the early '30s and a portent for the future.

The people's resistance to these relief cuts will increase. AFL and CIO have protested, as have scores of other people's groups. Mayor O'Dwyer passes the buck to the state. Welfare Commissioner Hilliard shrugs his shoulders and says the brutal order can't be stopped.

In the midst of this, certain AFL and CIO leaders stay aloof from the ALP picket lines, and this gives the City officials their chance to play one group off against the other.

But the fight to save the milk rations of the city's relief families, the fight to protect the disabled GI veterans who will be hit, will go on. And, we think, the unity this fight requires will not be halted by anyone who tries to do so.

By Fred Ellis

Britain and Wall Street Battle for What's Left

By Bernard Burton

THE WORLD is now witnessing the beginnings of a brutal, old-fashioned trade war that makes the practices of the original John D. Rockefeller look like juvenile delinquency. The present trade war girdles the globe and is being fought from Japan, to Europe, Africa, Britain and the U. S.

The principal antagonists are the British and U. S. monopolies. But the monopolists of other countries are not handing over their shrinking empires without a fight. All of the countries involved are from the Marshall Plan areas, whose "integration" the Plan was supposed to promote.

The conflict was merely hinted at in most of the press when it was reported that British negotiations for a $5,000,000 loan from the U. S.-controlled World Bank had been broken off. The application for the loan had been made by the British Colonial Development Corp.

As Rob Hall has shown in this paper, behind the cancelation of the negotiations was an attempt by American capital to cripple efforts by British imperialism to strengthen its empire holdings and investments. But British capital is fighting back.

Thus, for months now, the British oil interests have been squeezing U. S. oil from a large part of the world, including Europe and Japan. The New York Times carried a report on Jan. 4, with the headline: **Rivalry Growing for Oil Markets—Competition Between U. S. and British Concerns Intensified as Production Expands.**

The story noted that "United State oil companies last year found it increasingly difficult to market petroleum products in the sterling area."

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BRITISH OIL is out to regain its pre-war markets and more, even if it has to lose badly needed customers for other goods. This operation has been taking place even under the nose of Gen. MacArthur, that zealous guardian of the Wall Street dollar.

Another financial report one week earlier showed that the British government has barred Japan from using the large sterling reserves to buy U. S. oil. Since a good part of Japan's trade is conducted with the British Empire, it has quite a large sterling reserve. As a matter of fact, Japan has been cutting down on trade with the U. S. for all commodities and switching more of it to other countries.

The effect of the latest action in Japan is to force a large part of U. S. oil buisiness out of MacArthur's domain. The conflict also veers to the oil-rich Middle East, where British holdings have expanded while U. S. activity, mainly Standard Oil, has been forced to cut back in Saudi Arabia.

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A SIMILAR PICTURE is emerging in steel. One financial report declared: "The American steel industry is becoming increasingly worried over recent and prospective losses of its rather substantial and profitable export business. Currency devaluations and higher steel production abroad threaten to return the United States to its prewar role as a minor contributor to world trade in steel products.'

This battle in steel is being fought with rate-cutting as a principal weapon. Britain, France and Belgium have been cutting the tonnage price of steel in order to win world markets away from American steel. And it's been working.

So American steel has been retaliating. The export subsidary of U. S. Steel recently cut export prices. That action was taken on Dec. 16, the same day domestic steel prices were being raised an average of $4 a ton.

In other words, the American customer is being soaked to subsidize the international steel battle.

And Eugene G. Grace, president of Bethlehem Steel, complained recently that American steel companies "were on their way to losing substantially all of their export markets.'

Of course, the increased steel production in Europe could be used to expand all European industry. But it won't happen in the Marshall Plan countries, where other industry is being held back.

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THE JOURNAL OF COMMERCE recently front-paged a "rate war" among a number of British, Dutch and U. S. shipping companies with the objective of taking over the highly lucrative trade between North Atlantic ports and the Persian Gulf.

The bitterness of this fight, illustrating the insanity of capitalist anarchy, was shown when it was reported on Jan. 5 that it was $5 cheaper to ship a ton of cargo to the Persian Gulf than to Eastern Mediteranean ports, which are several thousand miles nearer to New York.

But like old John D., the big companies are out to keep up the squeeze until they can get some of the weaker companies to fold up.

This gigantic rough-and-tumble economic warfare is decried more and more by government business officials. It is upsetting their dream of an "American Century" when the world was to become easy pickings for Wall Street.

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FORMER Army Secretary Kenenth C. Royall recently told the New York Rotary Club the plans of building a stable market in Europe just aren't working out.

Jackson Matrindell, president of the American Institute of Management, declared recently after a tour of Europe; "Throughout all Europe the sense is growing that devaluation of the pound is the percursor of an international trade war such as the world has never seen before."

This international trade war confirms Stalin's statement in 1946 when he warned that the contradictions among the imperialist powers were bound to come to the fore again. He at that time again held out the offer of peaceful trade relations with all nations.

That offer still holds. It is an offer which meets the needs of all peoples, especially the American people, whose economy is heading into a new crisis. And one of the main factors speeding the development of the economic crisis is the worldwide economic warfare being conducted by all the capitalist countries.

Tresca

(Continued from Page 1)

Seven long years, during which the phony "Socialists" and the press have cynically pretended that the anti-Mussolini editor was killed "on orders of Stalin's secret police."

EVERYBODY KNEW

Let's make it clear. The **Brooklyn Eagle's** disclosures have broken the solid front of press deceit and distortion on the Tresca case. But seven years ago, on Feb. 20, 1943, the Daily Worker headlined a story, "Charges Killer of Tresca Is Known." The story quoted the New York Guildpaper, organ of the then progressive-led New York Newspaper Guild, as saying:

Just about every police reporter at Manhattan headquarters knows who killed Tresca.

"Just about every newspaper shop in town has all the gory details. The cops know too, and D.A.s' offices are not informed.

"Remember all the talk, when Tresca was killed, about maybe a Red did it or a Fascist (Tresca was anti-both). Just to let you in on an open secret, it wasn't a Red. It was a gangster, some of whose best friends are pre-Pearl Harbor and pre-September (1941) Fascists."

What did the professional Red-baiters do with this "open secret"? For seven years, if the **Brooklyn Eagle** exposures are correct, they deliberately covered it. The self-professed friends and mourners for the slain Tresca coldly used his martyrdom as a pawn in their hate-Russia campaign, and by their deeds helped to keep the real killer from ever coming to justice.

THOMAS' LETTERS

The morgues of every New York newspaper bulge with clippings on the activities, during the last seven years, of the Tresca Memorial Committee, whose chairman is Norman Thomas. These "activities" have consisted largely of letters to the authorities, always promptly recorded by the press, linking the Tresca killing by inference to every new anti-Communist or anti-progressive smear.

Thus, when New York newspapers in 1946 tried a crude frame-up of American Labor Party Congressman Vito Marcantonio as the figure 'behind" the slaying of Joseph Scottorigio, Thomas hastened to demand that police "reopen" the Tresca case.

Tresca was not yet in his grave when the ghouls of Social Democracy were busy making anti-Communist capital. David Dubinsky, president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, declared at the Tresca funeral, on Jan. 16, 1943: "This was a political murder, and we hope it shall not become another Krivitsky case." Thus, by linking the Tresca slaying to the death of anti-Soviet "General" Walter Krivitsky —an anti-Soviet hack writer whose death was also blamed on "Stalin" —Dubinsky from the start tried to steer public recognition and legal action away from the responsibility of a fascist-gangland combine for the killing.

ANTONINI'S CYNICISM

The open cynicism with which the Social Democrats followed the Thomas-Dubinsky line of absolving fascists of the Tresca slaying was demonstrated when Luigi Antonini, ILGWU vice-president, asserted in January, 1943 (as president of the Italian American Labor Council) that no "mere superficial explanation" would be accepted.

The foregoing was later amplified to state that a "mere superficial explanation" meant "the tendency to attribute the crime to Fascists and to ignore other explanations."

The "friends" of Tresca thereupon discarded the "superficiality" of the truth and devised an apocryphal statement by the slain man which enabled the papers to run headlines like: "Red Terrorist Is Sought in Tresca Killing" (Herald Tribune) and 'Reputed OGPU Agent Wanted for Questioning" (Times) and similar stories in the rest.

Tresca, his "friends" alleged, had spoken thus of one Carlos Contreras before his death: "Where he is, murder is."

The maligned Contreras was (and is) an Italian Communist leader, now better known as Vittorio Vidali, leader of the Trieste party. Under the name of Contreras he was living in refuge in Mexico from both Spanish and Italian fascism at the very time Tresca was murdered in New York.

And this man, slandered as a "Red terrorist" and "murder suspect," was famed as the organizer and leader of the Fifth Regiment of the Spanish Republic in the war against Franco fascism.

Only last month a New York newspaper revived the seven-year-old slander about the Trieste Communist leader, in an interview into which the Tresca killing was injected.

In 1945, two years after the murder, a motley array of Socialist, Trotzkyite, Social Democrat and Liberal Party speakers turned a Tresca "memorial meeting" into a lynch-the-Communists spree. Among the red-baiting speakers were Morris Ernst, Bertram D. Wolfe, Liston Oak and Angelica Balabanoff, who keynoted the meeting with the plea to "save Italy from Bolshevism."

Throughout the seven years of the ebb and flow of journalistic interest in the Tresca case, it has been difficult to maintain an absolute censorship on the fascists' relation to the slaying. For it had been widely known that Tresca, as the editor of The Hammer (**Il Martello**), and as a vocal foe of Mussolini had more than once evoked threats against his life from the fascists.

But both the newspapers and the Thomas-Dubinsky gangs of Communist-haters got around this difficulty by always combining Communist and Fascist as twin suspects. A World-Telegram story by Jay Nelson Tuck was thus headlined: "Communist, Fascist or Former Fascist Held Responsible." The New York Times was also careful to place "Communist" ahead of "Fascist," as per its headline: "Communist or Fascist Plot Is Seen."

Thus for seven years Social Democracy and the Wall Street press have sharpened their anti-Communist axe on the gravestone of Carlo Tresca, all the while knowing the "open secret" of the fascists' gunman who had pulled the trigger.

UNASHAMED

Only this week, Norman Thomas, as chairman of the Tresca Memorial Committee, called on New York District Attorney Frank Hogan for a grand jury probe of the Brooklyn Eagle disclosures.

Thomas rererd specifically to the Eagle's acusation of "Italian Fascists."

Yet in the latest (Dec. 30) issue of **The Call**, Socialist Party organ, Thomas is still describing the case as one "inwhich both Fascists and Communists have been suspected."

The only change—after seven years of smearing—seems to have been to reverse the order of "fascist" and "Communist."

In the same front paged **Call** piece, published after the **Eagle** disclosures, Thomas also gives space to the "testimony" of Benjamin Gitlow, anti-Communist renegade, that Tresca was killed because "he bucked the OGPU" and "he tried to foil Stalin's plan in Italy."

But the **Brooklyn Eagle** tells this story of the Tresca killing of Jan. 11, 1943, 9:30 p.m. at Fifth Avenue and 15th Street. In a headline on Dec. 29, 1949, over a front-page story by Ed Reid, the paper asserts: "Ex-Parole Prober Says Syndicate Ordered Him Fired Because He Knew Tresca Killer."

The **Eagle** quoted Fred Berson, former investigator for the State Parole Board and now a businessman, as saying that he was fired from his job on May 27, 1944 "for the good of the service."

Berson said he had been called in before his ouster and made to listen to a letter from a fellow parole officer, George Lemon, charging him with making disparaging remarks about a superior, a charge which Berson denied, he told the **Eagle**.

One week later, Lemon shot himself, Berson recalled.

In 1946, when Berson applied for another state civil service job, he said, he received a letter turning him down as having been "deceitful" in his previous position.

SAW "TRIGGERMAN"

What connection did Berson have with the Tresca slaying? According to the **Eagle** story he was one of two parole officers who, trailing a "well-known triggerman" the night of the killing, saw him get into an automobile later described as the car used by the slayer, two hours before Tresca was shot. The man, Berson confirmed, was never indicted.

The **Eagle** says it knows who ordered Tresca's killing, but mentions no name.

There is, evidently, a mystery in the sudden revival of interest in the identification of the real culprit in the murder of Carlo Tresca.

But there is no mystery at all in the use of this case, for seven long years, by the Social Democrats, Soviet-haters, law enforcement authorities and the press, as a major factor in the Big Lie of anti Communism.

The Tresca case, until the **Brooklyn Eagle** revived it, has perhaps faded from the public mind. But only last week the **Daily News** front-paged another anti-Communist fake, about an alleged "Red goon" by the name of Paul Kassay being responsible for the attempted bombing of United Auto Workers headquarters in Detroit.

Walter Reuther, president of the UAW, himself a victim of an earlier shooting, like the "friends" of the late Tresca, has sought to make anti-Communist capital out of his own misfortune rather than to confine the search to the real criminal.

The Tresca case, after seven years, proves that murder, and the machinations of the Communist-haters will out.

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STEEL LOCAL AIDE QUITS AS FUND SHORTAGES ARE BARED

GARY, Ind., Jan. 11.—The membership of Steel Workers Local 1014 voted overwhelmingly at a regular meeting last night to accept the resignation of Robert Cox, financial secretary.

Cox submitted his resignation when auditors found serious financial shortages in the local's funds. Cox made a last minute effort to retract his resignation, declaring that "the books were in order." The membership was not convinced.

Robert Cox is notorious as a redbaiter and Republican apologist for the Taft-Hartley Law. He has been a partner with Eli Colosimo, much-touted boy-wonder Republican "labor leader," in attempting to build Republican labor committees among steel workers. Colosimo, who edits a Republican-inspired "labor paper," recently suffered a defeat when all Gary steel locals withdrew support from his paper and closed his offices in the steel union building here.

The local instructed the president and treasurer to take over the books until the executive board makes a recommendation for a temporary financial secretary.

Gosser

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ware and Sports Goods store in Toledo.

She also charged in the petition, "Defendant further states that the plaintiff in addition to his salary from said union, receives large and substantial payments of cash from his dealings with organized labor and employers, the sum of which the defendant believes to be in excess of $10,000 a year."

Goser settled the case out of court, with his wife reportedly getting an outright cash settlement of $10,000 and property on Northwood Ave., Toledo, valued at $15,000.

HOW WORKERS FARE

Meanwhile, how did the rank and file UAW members working in auto shops in Toledo fare under Gosser's autocratic rule.

Workers in Spicer Mfg. Co., within the last six months have received a 30 percent reduction in wages, while production has increased 30 percent. In the Axle division, workers formerly making $70 a week are now getting $42, as one example of the wage cuts.

In the plant where Gosser originally came from, Willys-Overland, in the last three wage struggles, workers were told, "to get wage increases you have to increase production."

In Champion Spark Plug, workers being displaced by machines with Gosser's full approval. The company brought in five new machines that immediately displaced (fired) 80 women workers.

No fourth round wage campaign is evident in Toledo. Gosser some time ago was proposing that each employer put into an Area Pension fund, the equivalent of 10c. an hour per worker employed by him, and that out of that would come a pension of $75 a month for aged workers, to which would be added Federal pension allotments. Now he has dropped all of that and says he will take the Ford-Reuther pension plan program.

Rank and file workers in Toledo, in the shops, among the unemployed are mobilizing to defend Bolman, to demand from the Gosser controlled union leadership that they fight for his job back at Spicer, and that rank and file workers shall be involved in any study of the books of local 12, now impounded by the Common Pleas Court.

CIO

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with opposing their efforts to split UPW, and the UPW member was brought before a loyalty board on that basis.

"He was dragged through the mud, almost deprived of his right to earn a living, charged with treason and but for the fact that the loyalty board under whose jurisdiction he was displayed unusual courage, the charge might well have stuck," Bernstein related.

This is "a group sponsored by the national CIO acting as agents for the FBI in order to gain what it could not achieve through democratic union elections," Bernstein underscored.

After listening to Bernstein's two-day recital of the way in which government loyalty boards and the FBI operate under President Truman's order, Joseph Beirne, president of the Communications workers, and a "trial" official, said he would reveal this information to his members.

T-H and Miners

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freezing. He was critical of the miners' three-day week and insisted that Truman should seek "regional" or "partial" injunctions against the miners in Indiana. He admitted there was no national emergency.

Jacobs contended there was no contradiction between his present position and the position he took last summer when he made the headlines as the "champion" of Taft-Hartley repeal. He recalled he had proposed amendments which would have provided a method of breaking strikes through the use of injunctions.

Among other amendments supported by Jacobs, a prominent member of the Social-Democratic Americans for Democratic Action—was one requiring non-Communist affidavits and detailed financial reports from union officials, and guaranteeing freedom for anti-union propaganda for employers. Jacobs also favored an amendment to limit industry-wide strikes, banning collective bargaining on an industry-wide basis where the bargaining groups refused to bind themselves in advance to "maintain production necessary for the national health and welfare."

Until such a law is enacted, he said, he did not consider it inconsistent to demand application of Taft-Hartley.

"It's the law," he said, "and as long as it is law, it should be enforced."

GROUP SQUABBLES

The Senate Banking Committee was sharply divided today on the significance of its action yesterday in sending a bitterly anti-labor report to the Judiciary Committee. The report in effect urged legislation extending the anti-trust laws to trade unions with special reference to John L. Lewis and the coal miners.

A committee clerk said all 10 senators present at the committee meeting had approved the report. Later four Democratic senators denied they had endorsed the report asserting they voted merely to "transmit" it to the appropriate committee. The four were Glen Taylor (Ida), Paul Douglas (Ill), Allan Frear (Del), and John Sparkman (Ala).

All other members of the group, however, insisted the action of the committee was an endorsement of the contents and recommendations of the report. Subscribing to this position were Chairman Burnet Maybank (D-SC), Willis Robertson (D-Va), Homer Capehart (R-Ind), Ralph Flanders (R-Vt), and Harry Cain (-Wash).

Orders Gov't Act Against Stoolie In Bridges Case

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 11.—The trial of union leader Harry Bridges for "perjury" has exposed three lying witnesses—all of them witnesses for the prosecution. Judicial action on the third and most recent examples came when Judge George B. Harris yesterday ordered U. S. Attorney Frank J. Hennessy to prosecute confessed perjurer "Lawrence Seton Ross." Earlier, two other government finger men in this fourth attempt to frame the president of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, were caught lying under oath. They were Manning Johnson and Paul Crouch.

Minutes before cross-examination had been scheduled to begin Monday, "Ross" admitted that he had lied about his name, place of birth, his citizenship, father's name, his father's place of birth and occupation and his own education. "Ross," who admitted he had decided to tell his story after the defense had indicated it had the goods on him, said he was not born in Kentucky, the son of a planter, as he had testified, but was born in Poland.

Vincent Hallinan, defense attorney who had campaigned vigorously for immediate action against Ross, renewed his demand that perjury charges be lodged against Crouch and Johnson also.

EQUALLY GUILTY

"The only difference between these three perjurers is that one of them, Ross, recanted when he was faced with exposure," said the attorney. "The other two decided to stick by their lies. They are equally guilty."

Judge Harris, however, declined to move further against the other two stoolpigeons. He has already ordered the two to remain under subpoena for the duration of the trial "for the purposes of the defense."

The government was supposed to establish the yarn that Harry Bridges was a member of the national committee of the Communist Party from 1936 to 1938. The only point proved, however, was that two professional finger men and an amateur, Crouch, Johnson and Ross lied and had lied under oath with government approval.

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WOR—Henry Gladstone
WJZ—My True Story
WCBS—Bing Crosby Show
WQXR—Morning Melodies
10:15-Martha Deane Program
WCBS—Arthur Godfrey Show
10:30-WNBC—Marriage for Two
WJZ—Betty Crocker Magazine
WNYC—Chairside Chats
10:45-WNBC—Dorothy Dix
WJZ—Victor H. Lindlahr
11:00-We Love and Learn
WOR—News
WJZ—Modern Romances
WNYC—Medical Talk
WQXR—News, Alma Dettinger
11:15-WNBC—Dave Garroway Show
WOR—Tello Test
WNYC—State Hearing—Problems of Aged
11:30-WNBC—Jack Berch
WOR—The Menjous
WJZ—Quiz Program
WCBS—Grand Slam
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11:45-WNBC—David Harum
WCBS—Rosemary

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC—News Roundup
WOR—Kate Smith Speaks
WJZ—Ladies Be Seated
WCBS—Wendy Warren—Sketch
WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert
12:15-WCBS—Aunt Jenny's Stories
WNBC—Norman Brokenshire
12:25-WJZ—News
12:30-WOR—News.
WCBS—Helen Trent
WJZ—News, Herb Sheldon
12:45-WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's
WCBS—Our Gal Sunday
WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's
1:00-WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride
WJZ—News
WCBS—Big Sister
WNYC—String Music
WQXR—News, Midday Symphony
1:15-WJZ—Nancy Craig
WCBS—Ma Perkins
1:30-WCBS—Young Dr. Malone
WOR—Hollywood Theatre
1:45-WCBS—The Guiding Light
2:00-WJZ—Breakfast in Hollywood
WNBC—Double or Nothing
WOR—Second Honeymoon
WCBS—Second Mrs. Burton
WQXR—Record Review
2:15-WCBS—Perry Mason
2:30-WNBC—Today's Children
WOR—Queen for a Day
WJZ—Bride and Groom
WCBS—Nora Drake
WQXR—Curtain at 2:30
WNYC—State hearing: Problems of Aged
2:45-WNBC—Light of the World
WCBS—The Brighter Day
3:00-WNBC—Life Can Be Beautiful
WJZ—Buddy Rogers Show
WOR—Answer Man
WCBS—Nona; Sketch
WQXR—News; Symphonic Matinee
3:15-WNBC—Road of Life
WCBS—Hilltop House
3:30-WNBC—Pepper Young
WOR—Happiness Exchange
WCBS—House Party
WJZ—Hannibal Cobb, Sketch
3:45-WNBC—Right to Happiness
4:00-WNBC—Backstage Wife
WOR—Barbara Welles
WJZ—The Carter Family
WNYC—Disk Date
WQXR—Record Album
4:15-WNBC—Stella Dallas

RADIO HIGHLIGHTS

9:00 PM—Screen Guild Theater. WNBC.
9:30 PM—Duffy's Tavern. WNBC.
10:00 PM—Author Meets the Critics. WJZ.

TV

8:30 PM—Who Said That? WNBT.
9:00 PM—Morey Amsterdam show. WABD.
9:30 PM—Author Meets the Critics. WJZ.

4:30-WJZ—Melody Promenade
WCBS—News, Music
WOR—Prince Charming Show
WNBC—Lorenzo Jones
4:45-WNBC—Young Widder Brown
WJZ—Patt Barnes
5:00-WJZ—Green Hornet
WNBC—When A Girl Marries
WCBS—Galen Drake
WOR—Straight Arrow—Sketch
WNYC—Children's Festival
WQXR—News; Today in Music
5:15-WNBC—Portia Faces Life
5:30-WOR—B-Bar B-Riders
WJZ—Jack Armstrong
WNBC—Just Plain Bill
WJZ—Johnny Thompson Show
WCBS—Hits and Misses
WQXR—Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC—Front Page Farrell

EVENING

6:00-WNBC—Kenneth Banghart, News
WJZ—Joe Hasel
WNYC—Guest Star
WCBS—Eric Sevareid, News
WQXR—News; Dance Theatre
6:15-WNBC—Sports
WOR—Bob Elson, Interviews
WJZ—Allen Prescott
6:30-WNBC—Wayne Howell Show
WOR—News Reports
WCBS—Curt Massey
WNYC—Veteran's News
WQXR—Dinner Concert
6:45-WNBC—Three Star Extra
WJZ—Johnny Thompson Show
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WNYC—Weather; City News
WOR—Stan Lomax
7:00-WNBC—Frank Sinatra
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10:15-WOR—Newsreel
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WOR—The Symphonette
WCBS—Hollywood Theatre
WJZ—Someone You Know, Play
WQXR—Gilbert-Sullivan Music

Around the Dial:

United Nations In Action—A Cowboy and Indian Drama

By Bob Lauter

SOME TIME AGO, 4,000 junior high school students watched a screening of the CBS-TV United Nations in Action. After the screening, many students were interviewed for their reactions, and these recorded interviews formed the basis for one of Edward R. Murrow's CBS broadcasts.

In introducing the interviews, Mr. Murrow described the screening as follows:

"Their (the students) teachers told them they were watching history in the making. The students were not exactly fascinated. They booed Vishinsky and applauded the American delegates—a sort of cowboys and Indians reaction. . . ."

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THE KIDS who watched this show were pretty young—about 14. Their recorded interviews showed generally that they were alert and not given to taking things for granted. But it is a telling commentary on the effect of press and radio propaganda that these youngsters should have approached a UN session like a "cowboys and Indians" show.

Well, you may say this reflects their immaturity. It does reflect immaturity—but not the immaturity of these students. It reflects the immaturity and irresponsibility of a host of newspaper writers and radio commentators who have reduced international affairs to a cowboys-and-Indians affair.

It is difficult to imagine any nation in Europe, where the peoples have been more exposed to the realities of international politics, where children would react in this fashion.

Responsible commentators, if there are such, might begin to worry a little about this, and to ask themselves if they will help raise a generation which will fight for peace, despite economic and political differences between east and west, or a generation which will reduce international affairs to the cops-and-robbers formula.

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A FEW moments ago, WMGM announced that its program, Books on Trial, would present a discussion of Our Vanishing Civil Liberties, by O. John Rogge, with Ted O. Thackrey speaking in defense of the book, and Victor Reisel attacking it. The program was originally scheduled for election night. The station then announced that election night commitments had forced a postponement.

Election night has come and gone. Although other books have been scheduled, there is yet no word of a discussion of Mr. Rogge's book. Question: Did election night commitments force the postponement, or were there other reasons?

We still await news of a discussion of Mr. Rogge's book.

Music:

Robeson, Ray Lev Open New Concert Series in Brooklyn

A new concert series opens at the Brooklyn Academy of Music on Wednesday, January 25.

The concerts are sponsored by the newly-formed Brooklyn Theater Arts Committee which seeks to bring the best in culture to the borough at popular prices.

The series features Angna Enters, Richard Dyer-Bennet, Paul Robeson, Ray Lev, the Dudley-Maslow-Bales dance group and Hadassah.

On the January 25 program with Mr. Robeson, who has been on the concert stage for more than twenty-five years, will be Ray Lev, famed concert pianist.

Richard Dyer-Bennet, modern English-born minstrel, who will appear through the courtesy of S. Hurok, will share the stage with dance stylist Angna Enters in the second recital on Wednesday, February 28.

The third and final program on Wednesday, March 15, will be devoted exclusively to the dance. Hadassah, a native of the East, member of the Board of Directors of the New Dance Group and noted teacher, will interpret dances of Asia during half of the program. The remainder of the evening will be devoted to the Sophie Maslow-Jane Dudley-William Bales dance group, which has won wide acclaim for its vigorous use of the dance as social commentary.

Tickets are being sold in blocks of three and may be obtained at the Brooklyn Arts Committee, 129 Montague St. Prices range from $3.60 to $9.00 for a set of three tickets.

The Jefferson Theater Workshop will continue its run of Awake and Sing! through the winter season. This is due to the requests of the many who wish to see the Workshop's acclaimed production. Clifford Odets' drama will continue this Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 8:45 PM at the Jefferson School Theater. Under the direction of Al Saxe. Admission $1.00 tax incl.

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• • THE BICYCLE THIEF. Another fine film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of Shoe Shine. Manhattan—World Theatre.
• • FAME IS THE SPUR. An acutely drawn portrait of a British Party misleader, with a complex, studied performance by Michael Redgrave. Manhattan—Little CineMet.
• • HENRY THE FIFTH. The Laurence Olivier version of the Shakespeare historical drama. Manhattan—Thalia.
• • SHOE SHINE. A fine Italian film about two orphaned boys of Rome. Manhattan—55th Street Playhouse.
• • HOME OF THE BRAVE. Despite serious weaknesses, a pioneering film against Jimcrow. Manhattan—Bryant.
• • MONKEY BUSINESS; HORSEFEATHERS. A revival of two Marx Brothers' comedies. Manhattan—Gotham.
• • BRIEF ENCOUNTER. A revival of the fine British movie about an affair of two middle-aged lovers. Manhattan—Lane.
• • THE AFFAIR BLUM. A fine German film about the frame-up of a Jew which is particularly relevant today. Brooklyn—Astor, Vogue; Bronx—Ascot.
• • IVAN THE TERRIBLE. Sergei Eisenstein's last film, a filmically exciting historical pageant. Manhattan—Irving Place.
• • THE HEIRESS. William Wyler's fine adaptation of the play based on Henry James' Washington Square, with fine performances by Olivia de Havilland and Montgomery Clift. Manhattan—Loew's Commodore, Loew's 72nd St., Loew's Orpheum, Loew's Sheridan; New Amsterdam, Loew's 83rd St., Loew's Olympia, Loew's Rio, Loew's 175th St., Loew's Inwood; Brooklyn—Loew's Metro, Carlton, Sanders, Loew's Kameo, Loew's Pitkin, Loew's Kings, Kingsway, Loew's Coney Island, Loew's Oriental, Loew's 46th St., Loew's Alpine, Loew's Gates.
• • THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. The Pascal film of Shaw's Pygmalion, with Wendy Hiller, Leslie Howard.
• MAJOR BARBARA. Pascal's fine movie version of the Shaw play, with Wendy Hiller, Rex Harrison. Manhattan—Heights.
• ON THE TOWN. The movie version of the famous Broadway musical. Manhattan—Music Hall.
• RED SHOES. Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan—Bijou.
• DEVIL IN THE FLESH. A tragic story of two young lovers incapable of escaping the mesh of bourgeois conventions in which they're caught. Manhattan—Paris Theatre.
• ALL THE KING'S MEN. Shallow and inconclusive, but Robert Rossen's direction makes this story of a Huey Long exciting to watch. Manhattan—Victoria.
• ADAM'S RIB. A bunch of good performers make some hilarious moments of the Gordon-Kanin script. Manhattan—Capitol.
• TIGHT LITTLE ISLAND. A charming little comedy about a Scotch island that runs out of whiskey. Manhattan—[illegible] St. Trans Lux.
• BATTLE OF THE RAILS. A documentary style film about the resistance of the French railroad workers. Manhattan—Apollo.
FALLEN IDOL. Carol Reed's direction may make this unmotivated melodrama worth seeing. Manhattan—Sutton Theater.
BATTLEGROUND. Slick and glib, partly redeemed by some humor of the Yank magazine type. Manhattan—Astor.
• WOMAN OF DOLWYN. The first two-thirds of this film is a brilliant story of how a town falls to expanding capitalism; the rest, melodrama. Manhattan—[illegible] St. Playhouse.

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TOKYO JOE. Bogart says Japanese fascists and Communists are in cahoots.
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Gosser

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She also charged in the petition, "Defendant further states that the plaintiff in addition to his salary from said union, receives large and substantial payments of cash from his dealings with organized labor and employers, the sum of which the defendant believes to be in excess of $10,000 a year."

Goser settled the case out of court, with his wife reportedly getting an outright cash settlement of $10,000 and property on Northwood Ave., Toledo, valued at $15,000.

HOW WORKERS FARE

Meanwhile, how did the rank and file UAW members working in auto shops in Toledo fare under Gosser's autocratic rule.

Workers in Spicer Mfg. Co., within the last six months have received a 30 percent reduction in wages, while production has increased 30 percent. In the Axle division, workers formerly making $70 a week are now getting $42, as one example of the wage cuts.

In the plant where Gosser originally came from, Willys-Overland, in the last three wage struggles, workers were told, "to get wage increases you have to increase production."

In Champion Spark Plug, workers being displaced by machines with Gosser's full approval. The company brought in five new machines that immediately displaced (fired) 80 women workers.

No fourth round wage campaign is evident in Toledo. Gosser some-time ago was proposing that each employer put into an Area Pension fund, the equivalent of 10c. an hour per worker employed by him, and that out of that would come a pension of $75 a month for aged workers, to which would be added Federal pension allotments. Now he has dropped all of that and says he will take the Ford-Reuther pension plan program.

Rank and file workers in Toledo, in the shops, among the unemployed are mobilizing to defend Bolman, to demand from the Gosser controlled union leadership that they fight for his job back at Spicer, and that rank and file workers shall be involved in any study of the books of local 12, now impounded by the Common Pleas Court.

CIO

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with opposing their efforts to split UPW, and the UPW member was brought before a loyalty board on that basis.

"He was dragged through the mud, almost deprived of his right to earn a living, charged with treason and but for the fact that the loyalty board under whose jurisdiction he was displayed unusual courage, the charge might well have stuck," Bernstein related.

This is "a group sponsored by the national CIO acting as agents for the FBI in order to gain what it could not achieve through democratic union elections," Bernstein underscored.

After listening to Bernstein's two-day recital of the way in which government loyalty boards and the FBI operate under President Truman's order, Joseph Beirne, president of the Communications workers, and a "trial" official, said he would reveal this information to his members.

"Our union and its members have been victimized by the federal government for pursuing the policies and objectives of the CIO constitution," Bernstein declared. "Now you propose to do what these union haters have failed to accomplish."

Bernstein told the committee headed by Emil Rieve, Textile Workers Union president, that "the only distinction that can be drawn between the attack on the government workers through the infamous loyalty order and your contemplated action is that the government is more honest." UPW is one of 10 CIO unions which national CIO officers seek to have expelled from the organization.

"When an employe gets to a hearing after being charged with subversive activity," Bernstein continued, "he is informed in no uncertain terms that he is there because he has been fighting grievances, organizing the unorganized, agitating for pay increases, working for promotions and combatting discrimination. In short, spreading what he had assumed had been CIO gospel.

"Those who have brought the charge against UPW are using the same technique of charging Communism without specifying but unlike the government do not have the courage to reveal opening the real basis for the smear," Bernstein said.

He also charged that James Carey, CIO secretary, and Arthur Goldberg, CIO general counsel, had refused to participate in a UPW members appeal to the Loyalty Review board even though the national CIO had been on record as opposed to the entire loyalty program.

T-H and Miners

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freezing. He was critical of the miners' three-day week and insisted that Truman should seek "regional" or "partial" injunctions against the miners in Indiana. He admitted there was no national emergency.

Jacobs contended there was no contradiction between his present position and the position he took last summer when he made the headlines as the "champion" of Taft-Hartley repeal. He recalled he had proposed amendments which would have provided a method of breaking strikes through the use of injunctions.

Among other amendments supported by Jacobs, a prominent member of the Social-Democratic Americans for Democratic Action—was one requiring non-Communist affidavits and detailed financial reports from union officials, and guaranteeing freedom for anti-union propaganda for employers. Jacobs also favored an amendment to limit industry-wide strikes, banning collective bargaining on an industry-wide basis where the bargaining groups refused to bind themselves in advance to "maintain production necessary for the national health and welfare."

Until such a law is enacted, he said, he did not consider it inconsistent to demand application of Taft-Hartley.

"It's the law," he said, "and as long as it is law, it should be enforced."

GROUP SQUABBLES

The Senate Banking Committee was sharply divided today on the significance of its action yesterday in sending a bitterly anti-labor report to the Judiciary Committee. The report in effect urged legislation extending the anti-trust laws to trade unions with special reference to John L. Lewis and the coal miners.

A committee clerk said all 10 senators present at the committee meeting had approved the report. Later four Democratic senators denied they had endorsed the report asserting they voted merely to "transmit" it to the appropriate committee. The four were Glen Taylor (Ida), Paul Douglas (Ill), Allan Frear (Del), and John Sparkman (Ala).

All other members of the group, however, insisted the action of the committee was an endorsement of the contents and recommendations of the report. Subscribing to this position were Chairman Burnet Maybank (D-SC), Willis Robertson (D-Va), Homer Capehart (R-Ind), Ralph Flanders (R-Vt), and Harry Cain (-Wash).

Nehru Asks U. S. End Japan Occupation

COLOMBO, Ceylon, Jan. 11 (UP).—India's Prime Minister Pandit Nehru reportedly called on the United States to withdraw her occupation troops from Japan during today's closed session of the Commonwealth foreign ministers.

Britain's Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin also urged that a peace treaty with Japan be concluded as swiftly as possible.

Nehru was quoted:

"You cannot keep 80,000,000 people under military occupation forever. If the Western Powers are worried about communism in East Asia, the sensible thing would be not to drive the Japanese to communism by a long occupation."

Say U. S. Can Balance Budget by Firing Spies

PRAGUE, Jan. 11.—The newspaper Rude Pravo said today the United States could balance its budget if it reduced the "astronomical figures set aside for the preparation of a new war."

The newspaper said that if "the upkeep of the army of secret agents and spies and the anti-state activities in the People's Democracies" were cut, "not only would the deficit disappear immediately, but there would be several billions left."

46 More Papers Gagged in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 11.—Forty-six more newspapers and magazines were ordered closed today by the committee investigating "anti-Argentine" activities.

A committee said the publications would remain closed until at least next May.

Newspapers closed today included the Italian language **Corrieri Delgi Italiani**, the German anti-Nazi **Argentinitches Tageblatt**, both printed in Buenos Aires. Also included was the Catholic and politically independent **La Manana** of Santa Fe and **El Liberal**, an independent paper of Santiago.

U. S. Gov't Maps More Aid for Tito

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The National Security Council today approved plans to come to the aid of its agent, Tito, who has plunged Yugoslavia into great economic difficulties—at a profit for American imperialists, of course.

U. S. officials told reporters they would give Tito more dollar loans—to be repaid with interest—to try to help him out of his situation.

Early Hearing on Bill to Probe Kickbacks

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11 (UP).—Chairman Adolph J. Sabath (D-Ill) said today his House Rules Committee will hold an early hearing on a resolution to investigate payroll kickbacks among members of Congress.

Postpone Trial

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10:00-WNBC—Welcome Travelers
WOR—Henry Gladstone
WJZ—My True Story
WCBS—Bing Crosby Show
WQXR—Morning Melodies
10:15-Martha Deane Program
WCBS—Arthur Godfrey Show
10:30-WNBC—Marriage for Two
WJZ—Betty Crocker Magazine
WNYC—Chairside Chats
10:45-WNBC—Dorothy Dix
WJZ—Victor H. Lindlahr
11:00-We Love and Learn
WOR—News
WJZ—Modern Romances
WNYC—Medical Talk
WQXR—News, Alma Dettinger
11:15-WNBC—Dave Garroway Show
WOR—Tello Test
WNYC—State Hearing—Problems of Aged
11:30-W... —Jack Berch
WOR—The Menjous
WJZ—Quiz Program
WCBS—Grand Slam
WQXR—Violin Personalities
11:45-WNBC—David Harum
WCBS—Rosemary

AFTERNOON

12:00-WWNBC—News Roundup
WOR—Kate Smith Speaks
WJZ—Ladies Be Seated
WCBS—Wendy Warren—Sketch
WQXR—News, Luncheon Concert
12:15-WCBS—Aunt Jenny's Stories
WNBC—Norman Brokenshire
12:25-WJZ—News
12:30-WOR—News.
WCBS—Helen Trent
WJZ—News, Herb Sheldon
12:45-WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's
WCBS—Our Gal Sunday
WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's
1:00-WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride
WJZ—News
WCBS—Big Sister
WNYC—String Music
WQXR—News; Midday Symphony
1:15-WJZ—Nancy Craig
WCBS—Ma Perkins
1:30-WCBS—Young Dr. Malone
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3:15-WNBC—Road of Life
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3:30-WNBC—Pepper Young
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3:45-WNBC—Right to Happiness
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WOR—Prince Charming Show
WNBC—Lorenz Jones
4:45-WNBC—Young Widder Brown
WJZ—Patt Barnes
5:00-WJZ—Green Hornet
WNBC—When A Girl Marries
WCBS—Galen Drake
WOR—Straight Arrow—Sketch
WNYC—Children's Festival
WQXR—News; Today in Music
5:15-WNBC—Portia Faces Life
5:30-WOR—B-Bar B-Riders
WJZ—Jack Armstrong
WNBC—Just Plain Bill
WJZ—Johnny Thompson Show
WCBS—Hits and Misses
WQXR—Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC—Front Page Farrell

EVENING

6:00-WNBC—Kenneth Banghart, News
WJZ—Joe Hasel
WNYC—Guest Star
WCBS—Eric Sevareid, News
WQXR—News; Dance Theatre
6:15-WNBC—Sports
WOR—Bob Elson, Interviews
WJZ—Allen Prescott
6:30-WNBC—Wayne Howell Show
WOR—News Reports
WCBS—Curt Massey
WNYC—Veteran's News
WQXR—Dinner Concert
6:45-WNBC—Three Star Extra
WJZ—Johnny Thompson Show
WCBS—Lowell Thomas
WNYC—Weather; City News
WOR—Stan Lomax
7:00-WNBC—Frank Sinatra
WOR—Fulton Lewis, Jr., Comment
WJZ—Edwin C. Hill, News
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9:00-WOR—Comedy Theatre
WCBS—Suspense, Play
WJZ—Amateur Hour
WNBC—Screen Guild Theatre
WQXR—Concert Hall
9:30-WNBC—Duffy's Tavern
WCBS—Crime Photographer
WQXR—Record Rarities
10:00-WNBC—Supper Club
WJZ—Author Meets Critics
WOR—Frank Edwards
WCBS—Playhouse
WQXR—News: The Showcase
10:15-WOR—Newsreel
10:30-WNBC—Dragnet, Sketch
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MOVIE GUIDE

●● *Excellent* ● *Good*

●● THE YOUNG GUARD. Gerasimov's film about a Komsomol group during the war, perhaps the best Soviet film since the war. Manhattan—Stanley
●● THE BICYCLE THIEF. Another fine film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of Shoe Shine. Manhattan—World Theatre.
●● FAME IS THE SPUR. An acutely drawn portrait of a British Party misleader, with a complex, studied performance by Michael Redgrave. Manhattan—Little CineMet.
●● HENRY THE FIFTH. The Laurence Olivier version of the Shakespeare historical drama. Manhattan—Thalia.
●● SHOE SHINE. A fine Italian film about two orphaned boys of Rome. Manhattan—55th Street Playhouse.
●● HOME OF THE BRAVE. Despite serious weaknesses, a pioneering film against Jimcrow. Manhattan—Bryant.
●● MONKEY BUSINESS; HORSEFEATHERS. A revival of two Marx Brothers' comedies. Manhattan—Gothem.
●● BRIEF ENCOUNTER. A revival of the fine British movie about an affair of two middle-aged lovers. Manhattan—Lane.
●● THE AFFAIR BLUM. A fine German film about the frame-up of a Jew which is particularly relevant today. Brooklyn—Astor, Vogue; Bronx—Ascot.
●● IVAN THE TERRIBLE. Sergei Eisenstein's last film, a filmically exciting historical pageant. Manhattan—Irving Place.
●● THE HEIRESS. William Wyler's fine adaptation of the play based on Henry James' Washington Square, with fine performances by Olivia de Havilland and Montgomery Clift. Manhattan—Loew's Commodore, Loew's 72nd St., Loew's Orpheum, Loew's Sheridan, New Amsterdam, Loew's 83rd St., Loew's Olympia, Loew's Rio, Loew's 175th St., Loew's Inwood; Brooklyn—Loew's Melba, Carlton, Sanders, Loew's Kameo, Loew's Pitkin, Loew's Kings, Kingsway, Loew's Coney Island, Loew's Oriental, Loew's 46th St., Loew's Alpine, Loew's Gates.
●● THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. The Pascal film of Shaw's Pygmalion, with Wendy Hiller, Leslie Howard.
● MAJOR BARBARA. Pascal's fine movie version of the Shaw play, with Wendy Hiller, Rex Harrison. Manhattan—Heights.
● ON THE TOWN. The movie version of the famous Broadway musical. Manhattan—Music Hall.
● RED SHOES. Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan—Bijou.
● DEVIL IN THE FLESH. A tragic story of two young lovers incapable of escaping the mesh of bourgeois conventions in which they're caught. Manhattan—Paris Theatre.
● ALL THE KING'S MEN. Shallow and inconclusive, but Robert Rossen's direction makes this story of a Huey Long exciting to watch. Manhattan—Victoria.
● ADAM'S RIB. A bunch of good performers make some hilarious moments of the Gordon-Kanin script. Manhattan—Capitol.
● TIGHT LITTLE ISLAND. A charming little comedy about a Scotch island that runs out of whiskey. Manhattan—60th St. Trans Lux.
● BATTLE OF THE RAILS. A documentary style film about the resistance of the French railroad workers. Manhattan—Apollo.
FALLEN IDOL. Carol Reed's direction may make this unmotivated melodrama worth seeing. Manhattan—Sutton Theater.
BATTLEGROUND. Slick and glib, partly redeemed by some humor of the Yank magazine type. Manhattan—Astor.
● WOMAN OF DOLWYN. The first two-thirds of this film is a brilliant story of how a town falls to expanding capitalism; the rest, melodrama. Manhattan—68th St. Playhouse.

Skip

TOKYO JOE. Bogart says Japanese fascists and Communists are in cahoots.
THE RED DANUBE. Sleazy slander about the Soviet Union's policy in Austria.

Around the Dial:

United Nations In Action—A Cowboy and Indian Drama

By Bob Lauter

SOME TIME AGO, 4,000 junior high school students watched a screening of the CBS-TV United Nations in Action. After the screening, many students were interviewed for their reactions, and these recorded interviews formed the basis for one of Edward R. Murrow's CBS broadcasts.

In introducing the interviews, Mr. Murrow described the screening as follows:

"Their (the students) teachers told them they were watching history in the making. The students were not exactly fascinated. They booed Vishinsky and applauded the American delegates—a sort of cowboys and Indians reaction. . . ."

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THE KIDS who watched this show were pretty young—about 14. Their recorded interviews showed generally that they were alert and not given to taking things for granted. But it is a telling commentary on the effect of press and radio propaganda that these youngsters should have approached a UN session like a "cowboys and Indians" show.

Well, you may say this reflects their immaturity. It does reflect immaturity—but not the immaturity of these students. It reflects the immaturity and irresponsibility of a host of newspaper writers and radio commentators who have reduced international affairs to a cowboys-and-Indians affair.

It is difficult to imagine any nation in Europe, where the peoples have been more exposed to the realities of international politics, where children would react in this fashion.

Responsible commentators, if there are such, might begin to worry a little about this, and to ask themselves if they will help raise a generation which will fight for peace, despite economic and political differences between east and west, or a generation which will reduce international affairs to the cops-and-robbers formula.

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A FEW moments ago, WMGM announced that its program, Books on Trial, would present a discussion of Our Vanishing Civil Liberties, by O. John Rogge, with Ted O. Thackrey speaking in defense of the book, and Victor Reisel attacking it. The program was originally scheduled for election night. The station then announced that election night commitments had forced a postponement.

Election night has come and gone. Although other books have been scheduled, there is yet no word of a discussion of Mr. Rogge's book. Question: Did election night commitments force the postponement, or were there other reasons?

We still await news of a discussion of Mr. Rogge's book.

Music:

Robeson, Ray Lev Open New Concert Series in Brooklyn

A new concert series opens at the Brooklyn Academy of Music on Wednesday, January 25.

The concerts are sponsored by the newly-formed Brooklyn Theater Arts Committee which seeks to bring the best in culture to the borough at popular prices.

The series features Angna Enters, Richard Dyer-Bennet, Paul Robeson, Ray Lev, the Dudley-Maslow-Bales dance group and Hadassah.

On the January 25 program with Mr. Robeson, who has been on the concert stage for more than twenty-five years, will be Ray Lev, famed concert pianist.

Richard Dyer-Bennet, modern English-born minstrel, who will appear through the courtesy of S. Hurok, will share the stage with dance stylist Angna Enters in the second recital on Wednesday, February 28.

The third and final program on Wednesday, March 15, will be devoted exclusively to the dance. Hadassah, a native of the East, member of the Board of Directors of the New Dance Group and noted teacher, will interpret dances of Asia during half of the program. The remainder of the evening will be devoted to the Sophie Maslow-Jane Dudley-William Bales dance group, which has won wide acclaim for its vigorous use of the dance as social commentary.

Tickets are being sold in blocks of three and may be obtained at the Brooklyn Arts Committee, 129 Montague St. Prices range from $3.60 to $9.00 for a set of three tickets.

The Jefferson Theater Workshop will continue its run of Awake and Sing! through the winter season. This is due to the requests of the many who wish to see the Workshop's acclaimed production. Clifford Odets' drama will continue this Friday, Saturday and Sunday at 8:45 PM at the Jefferson School Theater. Under the direction of Al Saxe. Admission $1.00 tax incl.

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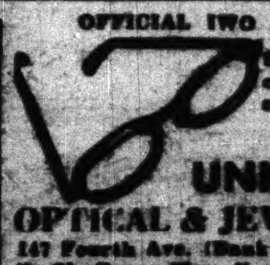
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Ted Tinsley Says

READ ME THE 'BUTS'

"AH," SIGHED ARCH contentedly as he settled down with the fat Jan. 4 economic issue of the New York Times, "it's good to see that our State Department is helping the world get back on its feet."

Edna was busy trying to remove chewing gum from the seat of Arch's denims. "Give me a for instance," she demanded, without looking up.

"For instance," said Arch, "this headline which says: 'DEVALUATION STOPS DRAIN ON BRITISH GOLD RESERVE'."

"Read me the 'but'," said Edna.

"What 'but'?"

"If I know the Times, there's a 'but' in that headline. Read me the 'but'."

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ARCH WAS ABOUT to protest. Then he cleared his throat a little self-consciously, and read: 'BUT PROVES NO CURE-ALL'."

"Thank you, dear," murmured Edna, working on the gum with an old razor blade.

"That doesn't mean a thing, Edna," Arch continued. "The headline also says: 'EXPORTS INCREASE'."

"The 'but'?"

Arch's voice dropped to a whisper. "'BUT NATION STILL CANNOT PAY ITS WAY'."

"Thank you, dear."

"Well, what about Italy?" demanded Arch. "Here it says: 'REVOVERY OF ITALY IS WELL ADVANCED'."

"The 'but,' Arch."

Arch scowled. "'BUT SOFT SPOTS REMAIN'." He fell silent. Then he complained, "You're always picking on people. Look at this! 'REBUILDING MAKES STRIDES IN FRANCE'."

"The 'but'?"

"'BUT HOUSING SHOWS SMALL PROGRESS'," Arch yelled, a little annoyed.

"Next item, Arch?"

"'FINNISH INDUSTRY IMPRQVES SLOWLY'," Arch read.

"The 'but'?"

"'BUT DOLLAR POSITION IS WORSE'." Arch started to close the paper.

"Read more, dearest," said Edna.

"Aw, leave me alone!"

"Come on, Arch. It keeps my morale up when I'm working on chewing gum."

"Well," said Arch, reading a new item defiantly, "'BERMUDA REDUCES HER DOLLAR DEFICIT'."

"Glory be!" cried Edna. "And the 'but'?"

"'BUT UNCERTAINTY IS FELT OVER OUTLOOK FOR 1950'."

"Go on," urged Edna. "You interest me strangely."

Arch glanced rather desperately at other headlines. "Here," he said, "here's a headline that tells us Pakistan is 'HOPEFUL ON ECONOMIC OUTLOOK'."

"But?"

"'BUT REFUSAL TO DEVALUE POSES NEW PROBLEMS." Arch brooded. "Anyway," he murmured, "'KOREA IS STRONGER'."

"But?"

"'BUT DEFICIT GROWS'."

He fell silent.

"Go on," Edna urged. "More, more."

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ARCH HAD LITTLE enthusiasm left, but he turned a page and read, "GERMANY REGAINS STEEL LEADERSHIP'."

"Aha!" shouted Edna, dropping the denims gum side up, "dollars to donuts there's no 'but' on that headline!"

Arch searched for the 'but.' There was none. He glared at Edna over the top of the paper.

"Communist!" snarled Arch.

Hollywood:

Homicidal Shockpunch Thriller Or Masterpiece of Film-Making

By David Platt

THE RKO THEATRE chain is advertising its coming attraction as "2½ hours of the most spectacular adventure the screen has ever known—direct from a sensational 66-week run!

"See the clash of swords in a duel to the death," the RKO blurb blabs. "See the strange love of a madman and a beautiful girl—the plot for revenge! Brother poisons brother! Winner of two Academy awards."

What is the film?

Is it perhaps the brute picture, **Money Madness**, in which "killer meets killer in a lustful orgy of crime?"

Is it **Blond Ice**, in which the heroine "trades love for a life of crime and shame because she wouldn't share her man with any woman—not even his wife?"

Could the above be RKO's description of the sex-murder-super-colossal-terrific-big film **She Meant No Wrong**, in which "a shameless, nameless woman is branded for reveling in sin?"

No! It is none of these "family" pictures.

THE FILM which RKO is advertising as "brother poisons brother in a plot for revenge over the strange love of a madman and a beautiful girl" is neither Cagney's **Kill Me While I'm In White Heat** nor Widmark's **Kiss the Blood Off the Butcher's Hands**, nor any anti-social, anti-human Hollywood film whose "set aim is to make us accept the view that man is instinctively, naturally a killer."

The coming attraction which RKO is announcing is not a brute film at all but the famous British film version of Shakespeare's Hamlet . . . opening at a number of RKO theatres at advanced prices on Jan. 16.

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THIS ATTEMPT to sell a work of movie art by fraudulently advertising it as a homicidal, shockpunch thriller full to the brim with horror, revenge and death, reveals more than a brutal contempt for the film audience. It shows that the businessmen who have a stranglehold on film production and distribution in our country are psychologically and intellectually incapable of coping with any film whose theme is slightly out of step with the usual lesson in how to kill, how to seduce, how to get ahead by smashing the faces and knuckles of one's fellowmen.

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TO CLIFFORD ODETS' observation that Hollywood films are conceived on the cold, marble floor of a bank, one must add that Hollywood promotion campaigns are conceived on the matted floor of a padded cell.

Books: Alex. Gonchar's 'Standard Bearers'

Notable Novel Describes Maturing of Soviet Soldier

By Robert Friedman

ALEXANDER GONCHAR'S Standard-Bearers is a novel by a young Soviet Ukrainian who himself participated, as a private, in the Russian army's battle across the countries of western Europe.

STANDARD-BEARERS, by Alexander Gonchar. Foreign Languages Publishing House. Moscow. 332 pp. $1.25. At Four Continents and Workers Bookshops.

Aside from the intrinsic merits of the novel, it is notable also because it deals with a phase of the war which has not, for evident reasons, received as much attention as the Soviet people's fight on their home soil, up to the decisive victory at Stalingrad.

Standard-Bearers carries the story forward in time. It tells of a Guards company, made up largely of tested veterans of Stalingrad and countless lesser battles, fighting their way across enemy country to Budapest. Not all the company are battle-wise, of course, like the youthful Lt. Chernysh who must demonstrate in his baptism by fire the same qualities which his comrades had long won across the face of Russia.

Gonchar's novel, breathing an authentic knowledge of his subject matter, describes the maturing of the Soviet soldier, not only as fighting man but as a student of the world around him; the role in this maturing played by such officers as Communist and Major Vorontsov; and, not least, the disciplined and friendly relations maintained by the Soviet troops with the ordinary Hungarian citizen as the Russians fought on toward the Danube. A reading of this vivid, vigorous novel, imbued with a deep love for the Soviet soldier and a profound awareness of the strength given him by the socialist way of life, reminds one once again how great a debt all of us owe a people who defeated Nazism at so great a price in Russian lives.

Gonchar's novel ends with the completion of two-thirds of a porjected trilogy. The Guards company has fought its way into Budapest. Casualties have been heavy. The devoted company commander, Bryansky, dead; the talented Sasha Sivertsov, blinded. But hope and confidence for the future, not alone in the ultimate military victory, but beyond, dominate the pages of Standard-Bearers. For the "Standard," as Major Vorontsov tells his comrades-in-arms, is that of Leninism, "the teaching that has lit up humanity's road like the sun." It is the Socialist Soviet Union's, that state that "held out, like a cliff," in the storm.

'The Two Eagles' by Bela Illes

THE TWO EAGLES, translated from the Hungarian of Bela Illes, and published in London, is a remarkable novel about the Albania of World War I. It is the story of a group of men in the Hapsburgs Austro-Hungarian army who were sent to Albania because they were politically "suspect," and because the tiny Balkan country, with its deadly fevers and guerrilla fighters, appeared to be the worst possible punishment.

THE TWO EAGLES, by Bela Illes. Translated by Edith Bone. Allan Wingate. London. 1922 pp. (Available at British Book Center, New York.)

But this synopsis scarcely does justice to a work which is both hilarious and deeply serious. At times, Bela Illes, in his delineation of Hapsburg army bureacracy or warring Albanian misleaders, matches the ever-memorable humor of the Good Soldier Schweik. But above all, The Two Eagles is a vivid account of the education, through bitter experience, of Albanians and the soldiers of the Hapsburgs, each learning that the real enemy was not the common man on the other side of the struggle. Add to these considerable virtues the knowledge of Albanian life and history which the author imparts (pre-people's democracy, of course), and a gifted, distinctive style, and The Two Eagles classifies as a unique and thoroughly enjoyable novel.—R. F.

Hollywood, a column of film news and comment by David Platt appears daily, except Tuesday, in the Daily Worker.

On Stage:

'PEOPLE'S DRAMA' SCHOOL OF THEATRE STARTS 2nd YEAR

People's Drama Weekend School of Theatre is now entering its second year. The school is designed to equip people for theatre activity in their community, club, fraternal society and trade union.

People's Drama is also helping to bring social theatre to the community. It was in June of 1949 that members of its cast were beaten up by hoodlums after a performance of **They Shall Not Die**, John Wexley's play about the Scottsboro case. For weeks after the beatings the audience at the end of each performance escorted the cast to the subway station to protect them from the hoodlums.

More recently, after appearing in New Jersey, **They Shall Not Die** was banned in Trenton, N. J., by Andrew Duch, Director of Public Safety. Arthur Garfield Hays, general counsel of the American Civil Liberties Union, on Dec. 24 in a statement to the press characterized Commissioner Duch's action "a shocking and complete disregard for the right of free speech and assembly and clearly unconstitutional."

Lately, a group of weekend school students decided to implement the idea of social theatre and began to work with a local American Labor Party club on the East Side. They have already recorded scenes from **Bury the Dead**, **Waiting for Lefty**, original skits and material for canvasing.

In Coney Island the Sacco Vanzetti Labor Youth League Club, with a membership of 60, has a dramatic group of 20. Irene Brill, a student at the weekend school, is now acting as co-director. The dramatic group is engaged in the production of **Waiting for Lefty**, and plans to tour various youth clubs in Brooklyn with the play.

Registration for the winter semester is now under way. This term students may register for any of a number of classes which include acting, make-up, body movement, speech, history of the theatre. Larger registration has enabled the school to reduce the cost of the classes. For information call AL 5-1844 or write to People's Drama, 17 W. 24 St., N. Y. C.

Stefan Heym To Speak At Heine Meeting

"Heine In Our World" will be the topic of a meeting which will be addressed by the well-known novelist Stefan Heym, author of the best-sellers **Hostages** and **The Crusaders**. The evening will evaluate the work of the great German writer by presenting a cross-section of Heine's writings in the form of a dramatic presentation.

Aaron Kramer, poet, will read from Heine's poetry which he himself recreated in the English language. Miss Mildred Meditz, soprano, will render Schuman and Schubert Lieder written to Heine's lyrics.

The meeting, which is sponsored by the German American, will be held on Sunday, Jan. 15, at 8 p.m. at the Fraternal Clubhouse, 110 W. 48 St., New York City. Admission is $1.20 and $1.80. Reservations can be made at the German American, Inc., 305 Broadway, N. Y. 7.

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by lester rodney

Two Sport Chat With Doby and Irvin

ST. LOUIS WAS LEADING Long Island University 19-18 when a couple of basketball fans named Larry Doby and Monte Irvin sat down next to me and before the greatest college team in the land had finished thumping the invaders from the banks of the Mississippi 58-42, a lot of notes were scribbled on the back of an envelope. And not all basketball!

The Cleveland star and the Giant sophomore were each tremendous all round athletes in their respective Jersey high schools, Doby at Paterson and Irvin at Orange, and would undoubtedly have made crackerjack college court stars if baseball hadn't become their number one love.

After the hellos and how are yous and such, what could I do but ask a member of the Giants what he thought of the big Giant-Brave deal?

"Well," Irvin answered thoughtfully as Eddie Gard and company began to take command down on the floor below us, "it's really hard to say. I think it might help us. This Dark is a good man and very fast. We needed speed and a tighter infield. Of course," he added with a little regretful shake of the head, "Sid and Marshall are mighty good hitters. I don't know. You've got to give something to get something, I suppose."

Doby, listening and watching the game fascinatedly at the same time, asked how big that No. 64 was, six four or something?

"That's Scherer," I said. "He's six nine."

Six one Doby and six one Irvin whistled in unison. "That little 65, I like him," said Doby.

"That's Eddie Gard," I informed. "You fellows haven't seen LIU before, I see. Have you seen any of the New York teams?"

"Saw CCNY beat St. John," said Doby. "Some game," added Irvin. "Got a great kick out of it."

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NOW HOW ABOUT Monte Irvin and the Giants next year, I wanted to know. How does the trade make it look for a regular job?

"Well," he said, "the way I see it there's two jobs sort of open, right field and first base. . . . Yes, that's right, I was working at first in practice the end of last season. I'd give it a pretty fair go, I think, but of course I prefer the outfield; that's my position."

". . . what an arm!" supplied Doby, his former teammate on the Newark Club of the Negro League, "The best."

I suppose, I said, like most ballplayers you don't like this part-time batting, only against lefthanded pitching.

"Uh, uh," said Irvin vigorously, as Doby shook his head in negative sympathy with the reply, "As a matter of fact I hit righthanders better than lefthanders. And Marshall, who was pulled out against lefties, he says he hits them better."

"You gotta hit against them all to really get your timing," put in Doby, who was participating in the conversation without ever turning his rapt attention from the basketball floor. Irvin nodded agreement.

"We'll have a good infield," Irvin went on. "Thompson will handle third very well. We'll have a lot of speed."

Especially, I supplied, if the very fast Monte Irvin, who led the International League in batting his first year up, is running those bases along with Dark, Bob Thomson, Hank Thompson and Lockman.

"That No. 20," said Doby admiringly, "he's pretty big, too, but he moves like a small man. He's good." No. 20 is LIU's Sherman White. As Doby said, he's good. As good as any player who's hit the Garden floor yet this year.

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NOW LET'S TALK a little American League baseball, Larry," I said, pencil poised. "You think the Indians will bounce back? What do you think of Veeck leaving? Is Joe Gordon coming back to Cleveland? Will Luke Easter help the ballclub?"

Doby took them one at a time and in order. "I think we'll be better. Our pitching is going to be better. Bearden is too good to have two bad years in a row. He has the stuff. You can't win 21 as a rookie without some stuff. A few of us are bound to have better years. . . . Veeck? I sure hated to see him go. . . . I hope Joe Gordon is coming back; nobody knows yet whether he'll quit. He's a real good man, one of my favorite ballplayers. . . . Easter's a hitter. Longest hitter I ever saw. He could do us a lot of good."

"That LIU sure grabs the ball off those boards," observed Irvin as first Scherer came down with one, then the agile White, and then the powerhouse leaping Bigos. "That's a real tough team to beat, I bet."

How about third base on the Indians? I asked Doby. Think Al Rosen can come through?

"Al's a very good hitter," Doby said. "If he gets in there and plays regularly he'll hit, I think. Of course, that's the thing. You gotta play. You gotta play."

"That's the thing all right," echoed Irvin.

LIU was remorselessly spurting away in the final seconds as trailing St. Louis had to forego its clever defense and press for the ball. Doby and Irvin got their coats and got up. I asked them how they would compare CCNY with LIU.

"That would be a close game," said Irvin. "Do they play?"

I said they didn't, unless they met in the tourney. "City is a lot faster. That Gard is LIU's only fast man," said Doby, "and I think City has a better defense."

"LIU is bigger," said Irvin.

"Yeah, they are," said Doby. "But City has a lot of fast men. I don't know. I go for that speed. But LIU is great all right."

As they started out someone excitedly told his neighbor and everyone else within hearing, "Say, there's Larry Doby!" and the thoughts slid easily from smoky Madison Square Garden to the Yankee Stadium and Polo Grounds, a big lead off first base, the crack of the bat. . . .

Say, you know something? Seven more weeks spring training will be in full blast.

About Helmets

Here are a couple of interesting reactions to the proposal that head injuries in boxing be curtailed by the wearing of light leather helmets such as used in training.

Eddie Eagan—N. Y. Commission Head—"Naturally I'm in favor of anything that will protect boxers. Helmets have been tried and found a detriment to boxers. They are easily dislodged with a blow. Spectators have to be considered. I don't believe they want a tilting duel with boxers all wadded up and clad in armor."

Lou Stillman, owner of Stillman's Gym: "I've seen hundreds of boxers knocked out in my gym while wearing helmets. I never had to call a doctor or an ambulance."

Win for Young May Get Him Into Tourney

Paddy Young's test against Tuzo Portuguez tomorrow night at the Garden is an acid one for the new Greenwich Village middleweight. If Paddy can take Tuzo, who hasn't been taken in his last 24 fights, young Master Young will find himself thrust into the muddled middleweight picture.

Could be that if Paddy keeps his 1949-50 win streak alive he'll be included in the projected New York middleweight elimination tourney.

International Boxing Club boss Jim Norris yesterday said from Detroit that champ Jake LaMotta will definitely engage in several non-title bouts bringing him to a June title defense. Said defense will probably be held in Detroit once Jake is separated from the New York version of his crown by Commissioner Eddie Eagan, and the tourney here gets going.

But getting back to the Young-Portuguez duel tomorrow, Paddy figures to have his work cut out for him. In Portuguez he meets a capable and ringwise middleweight who will be aiming to protect his own string of 24 straight victories. Last time out, the Costa Rican champion outpointed the sadly handicapped Beau Jack.

Probably the highlight of tomorrow night's card will come in one of the eight-round prelims featuring Johnny Saxton against Mario Moreno. Saxton is the young Harlemite who ripped through the Golden Gloves like a little Ray Robinson (and who captured Ray's fancy as well), turned pro last year when he won all of his six starts, four via the knockout route. In his last start of the Old Year at St. Nicks, the young Negro welter prospect drew raves for his scintillating boxing and punching genius in flattening capable Jean Wolczyk. The fellow Saxton faces tomorrow in his first appearance as a pro is a tough little upsetter. Moreno, in the role of underdog, has beaten Boxo Castantino, Walter Haines and veteran Chester Rico.

RAY ROBINSON yesterday refuted an earlier report by manager George Gainford that the Welter champ would vacate his throne upon signing for the New York 160-pound tourney. According to Robbie, he will not give up his 147-poung bauble until and unless he wins the tourney.

The Philadelphia State Athletic Commission yesterday wired Gainford demanding Robinson go through with his scheduled Feb. 22 fight with George Costner or else face "indefinite suspension." Robinson, recently over a case of influenza, was only asking a month's justified delay.

Gainford had wired the Philly Commish that recouping Robby would not be in condition by time of the original Costner date, but would be ready to meet him March 22. The typically adamant Commission ordered Gainford to have Ray in Philly for an examination Jan 16—or else face the suspension.

PICK BRADLEY (NOT VS BIG 3)

The Big Three of New York basketball, LIU, St. Johns and CCNY, which increasingly bid fair to make a trio of rough hosts in the March tourney against anything the rest of the land can produce, are not in action tonight and the visiting ball clubs, Duke and Bradley, are favored to beat Gotham's lesser lights, NYU and Manhattan.

The visit of Bradley would be a big event if the competition figured to be rougher, for the Peoria lads, who put on quite a show before bowing out of last year's tourney, despite their lack of a real big man, and are a cinch to be back, have an all veteran team with a 12-2 record. They were beaten this year by Purdue and Kentucky, and have whipped such as Ohio State, Tulane, De Paul, and Nebraska. Paul Unruh, the 6-4 center who is one of the fastest runners in basketball, is back, as is the amazing 5-8 Melchiorre, who can deal 'em out of the pivot with the best, and Grover, Mann, Preece, Humerickhouse, Behnke and Chaniakis. The visitors figure too much for an improving Manhattan team which has some good scorers but lacks organization. However, big Byrnes is seeing more action, and it could be closer than figured.

Duke, which faces NYU in the opener, had a nondescript record till it amazed by bowling over the south's best team, North Carolina State on Saturday. That was enough to install them as favorites

TWO MEMBERS of the Big Three did a job on a couple more basketbal names Tuesday night, with LIU again proving itself number one in the nation by solving and then running away from St. Louis, which still has three first string regulars from the championship club. Gaining sweet revenge for past beatings, including two last year, the ironmen didn't give away a big lead this time. They trailed only 19-18 after the first half, which saw St. Louis successfuly collapsing its defense around the pivot posts of Scherer and White.

In the second half the underrated little Eddie Gard, LIU's "coach on the floor," opened them up with a couple of set shots and after a while LIU coasted home by 16 points, with White pouring the crusher as the vicitors began to press. Sherman was "held" to 20 points. Command of the backboard and careful play, with a couple of men always ready to scurry back, stopped the famed St. Louis fast break. Only once did the beautiful pitters-patter go all the way without a bounce, on a break off a grabbed rebound. St. Louis may be back for the tourney (there figures to be a shortage of name teams who won here after LIU gets through) but they'd never beat the Brooklynites if they played 'em seven nights a week. What's that? Who would? Well, it's almost come to that.

The LIU squad now gets a long holiday of two days without touching a basketball, as this was their only game of the week for a change. After NC State next Tuesday comes the Garden break, and a gap till Feb. 16 in the Garden for LIU, when it meets Duquesne. The Dukes, incidentally, are now one of the two unbeaten teams along with Holy Cross after stopping Cincinnati Tuesday night.

CCNY WON as it pleased against West Virginia in the 80-55 romp. The third string came in with a 33 point lead. Ed Roman made his flatfooted 6-8 foe look sad, and did some deft feeding in the wide open, disorganized looking game. City's relentless pressure knocked the visitors askew. Their record isn't that bad. Interceptions and fast breaks with nice point blank passwork featured a lot of the going. Joe Galiber, the fast 6-4 senior, is coming along steadily and adds important strength. There are now eight good players about on a par, all first string.

City now knocks off for midterms, resuming the 28th at Allentown vs. Muhlenberg and not returning to the Garden floor till Feb. 16 vs. Niagara. In the interim they meet, after Muhlenberg, Boston College, Princeton, St. Francis, and Canisius, all away.—RODNEY.

Rap ABC Bias

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 11 (UP). —Discrimination by the American Bowling Congress violates the state constitution and prevents residents from "enjoying fully the sport of bowling," a committee of the Governor's Commission on Human Rights said today.

The special committee, headed by the Rev. Franklyn J. Kennedy, urged State Attorney General Thomas E. Fairchild to "take appropriate steps . . . to the end that bowling may be fully enjoyed by all bowlers, regardless of race or color."

National offices of the ABC are in Milwaukee.

Hogan-Snead Playoff Postponed by Rain

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 11 (UP). —A first-prize playoff of the Los Angeles Open Golf Tournament between Hogan (playing for the first time since his near-fatal accident) and Slamming Sammy Snead was postponed today until Tuesday, Jan. 17, after both men insisted they could not play championship golf on the rain-soaked Riviera Country Club course.